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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding medical technologies within NHS Southport and Formby CCG.

Request/[Response](#):

1. In your own words, how you are fulfilling your obligation to commission these devices in line with NICE TA159.
2. How many patients have you commissioned spinal cord stimulation therapy for in each of the last 5 years?
3. Is there a specific local commissioning policy that you use when considering the spinal cord stimulation therapy that in any way differs from TA159?
4. Is there a specific local patient pathway that you follow in relation to chronic pain that affects the availability of spinal cord stimulation therapy that in any way differs from TA159?

[For questions 1 – 4 NHS Southport and Formby CCG does not hold this information, you may wish to refer to providers](#)

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