

23 June 2017

**Our Ref:** RFI 20583

Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000  
Request Seeking a Copy of the Trust's Continuing Health Care Policy**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for the information relating to the above which you requested on 7 June 2017.

*Q1. I would be grateful for a copy of the SET Continuing Health Care Policy.*

A1. The Trust does not have a Continuing Health Care Policy. Guidance is currently provided through the circular 'HSS (ECCU) 2010 Care Management, Provision of Services and Charging Guidance'.

The Trust has been advised that further policy direction for continuing health care within the Northern Ireland context is due to be released by the Department of Health for consultation in the imminent.

Under the terms of the legislation, if you are unhappy with this response you have the right to seek a review within the Trust in the first instance. If you wish to do so, please write to me at the address below.

If after such a review you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner who will undertake an independent review. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.

If you have any queries about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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