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**REPORT TITLE: Individual Funding Requests Annual Report 2015/16**  
**DECISIONS TO BE MADE: To receive the annual report and note the activity in 2015/16**

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Continue to improve the quality of services		Improve patient experience	
Reduced unwarranted variations in services	x	Reduce the inequalities gap in North Lincolnshire	
Deliver the best outcomes for every patient	x	Statutory/Regulatory	x

**Executive Summary (Question, Options, Recommendations):**

The CCG has a statutory responsibility to commission care, including medicines and other treatments for our population within available resources by prioritising between competing demands. We therefore need to ensure we don't use scarce resources on health care interventions that are not considered to be clinically effective or cost effective in meeting the health needs of patients. (The term 'health care intervention' includes use of a medicine or medical device, diagnostic technique, surgical procedure and other therapeutic intervention).

Individual requests for treatments, which are not covered by existing contracts are received by the CCG. Some requests are for treatments for rare conditions where local services are not developed, while others are for health care interventions that the CCG will not commission as a matter of routine, but where the referring clinician believes there are exceptional circumstances that justify a request for referral. Requests are considered in line with the CCG's Individual Funding Requests (IFR) policy [NLCCG - Individual Funding Requests \(Exceptional Treatments\)](#)

On 1 March 2016, North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) assumed responsibility for the IFR Service to North Lincolnshire CCG which was previously provided by Yorkshire and Humber Commissioning Support.

The annual report attached has been produced by NECS to provide a summary of the IFR activity which has been transacted during 2015/16 and the outcome of the funding decisions which have been made.

It provides analysis in relation to treatments requested, source of request and outcomes

<b>Equality Impact</b>	<b>N</b>	Individual commissioning policies are assessed for equality impact
<b>Sustainability</b>	<b>N</b>	
<b>Risk</b>	<b>Y</b>	CCG's
<b>Legal</b>	<b>Y</b>	This report sets out how decisions have been made to support statutory duties in 2015/16
<b>Finance</b>	<b>Y</b>	The IFR panel do not take into account the costs of treatment in their decision making

<i>Patient, Public, Clinical and Stakeholder Engagement to date</i>									
	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Y</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>DATE</i>		<i>N/A</i>	<i>Y</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>DATE</i>
Patient:	x				Clinical:	x			
Public:	x				Other:	x			



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# North Lincolnshire CCG Individual Funding Request Annual Report 2015/16



## Introduction

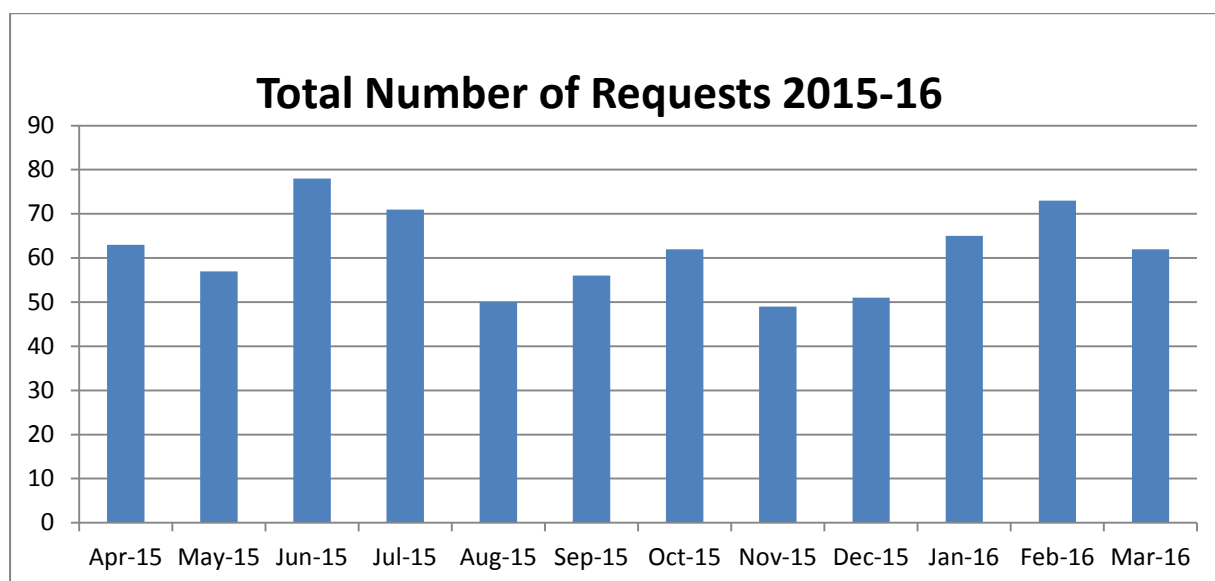
On 1 March 2016, North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) assumed responsibility for the IFR Service to North Lincolnshire CCG.

This document provides a summary of the IFR activity which has been transacted during 2015/16 and the outcome of the funding decisions which have been made. Please note the figures reported are based on approved or declined outcomes only . All other outcomes ,e.g. deferred, waiting Panel etc. are not included in this report. A revised format of the Annual Report will be published for 2016/17 in line with the service requirements which NECS are delivering.

## IFR Case Management

Below details the number of IFR cases which have been submitted and managed during 2015/16.

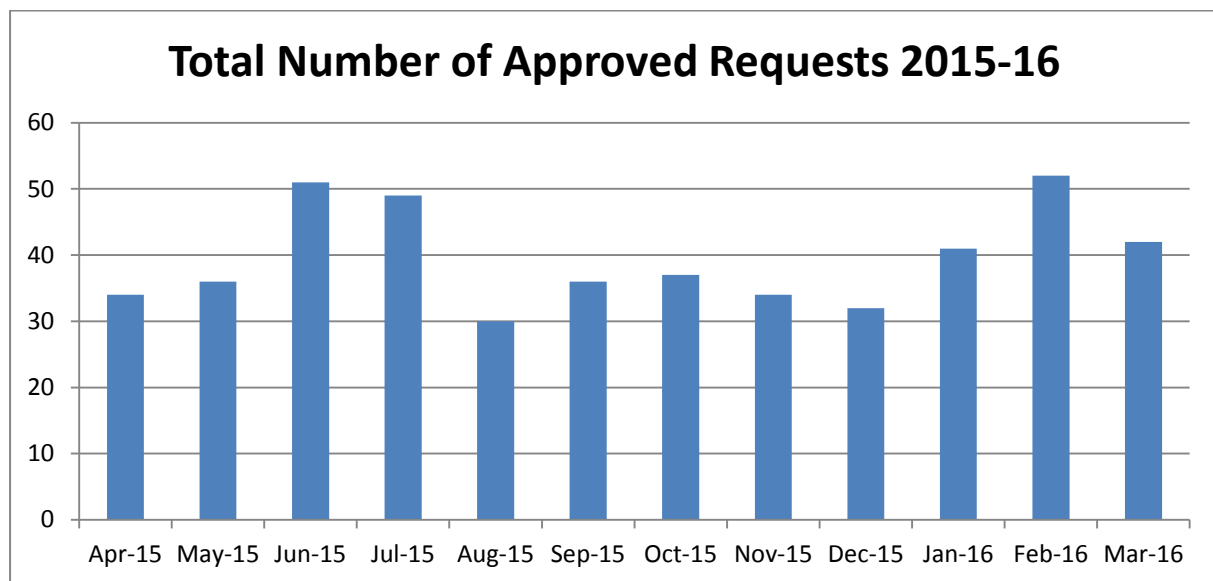
Activity	Volumes
Total Number of request – April 2015	63
Total Number of request – May 2015	57
Total Number of request – June 2015	78
Total Number of request – July 2015	71
Total Number of request – August 2015	50
Total Number of request – September 2015	56
Total Number of request – October 2015	62
Total Number of request – November 2015	49
Total Number of request – December 2015	51
Total Number of request – January 2016	65
Total Number of request – February 2016	73
Total Number of request – March 2016	62
<b>Total Number of Requests for 2015/16</b>	<b>737</b>



## Individual Funding Requests Approved

Below outlines the number of IFR cases for which funding was approved during the year:

Activity	Volumes
Total Number of requests approved – April 2015	34
Total Number of requests approved – May 2015	36
Total Number of requests approved – June 2015	51
Total Number of requests approved – July 2015	49
Total Number of requests approved – August 2015	30
Total Number of requests approved – September 2015	36
Total Number of requests approved – October 2015	37
Total Number of requests approved – November 2015	34
Total Number of requests approved – December 2015	32
Total Number of requests approved – January 2016	41
Total Number of requests approved – February 2016	52
Total Number of requests approved – March 2016	42
<b>Total</b>	<b>474</b>



## Summary of IFRs by Clinical Procedures – Cases Approved

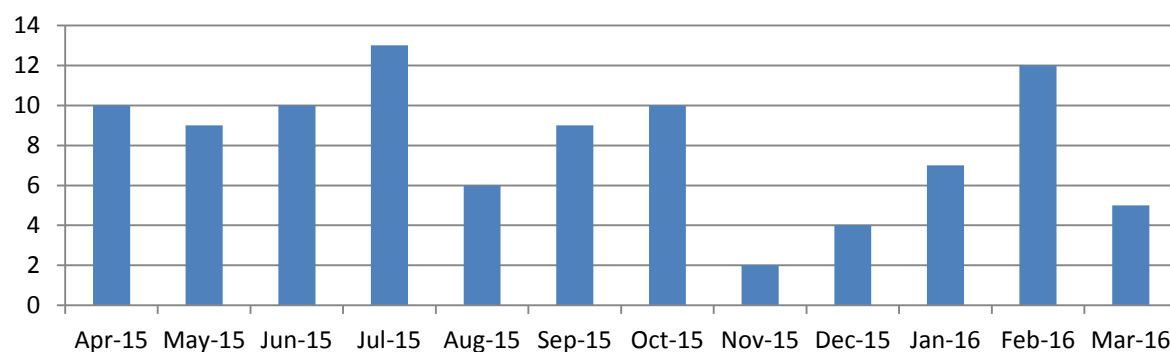
Activity	Volume
Abatacept	1
Airsonnett	1
Anal Skin Tag removal	8
Bespoke Orthopaedic Prosthesis	2
Bilateral Breast Reduction	1
Blepharoplasty	4
Botox for Dystonias	1
Botulinum Toxin A Injections for Anal Fissures	2
Botulinum Toxin Injection	1
Breast Implant Removal	1
Bulkamid injection	1
Carpal Tunnel Surgery	84
Chalazion Removal	14
Circumcision in Primary Care	2
Circumcision in Secondary Care under GA	2
Circumcision under LA	7
CPAP	52
Cyst Excision	29
Dupuytren's Contracture Release	1
Equipment Service/Inspection	2
Excessive Skin Removal	1
Excision of Mole	4
Extra Corporeal Shockwave Therapy	1
Facial reanimation surgery	1
Female Sterilisation	49
Fibroma	1
Functional Electrical Stimulation	1
Goole Neuro Rehab	10
Grommets	2
Hydrocele correction	20
Ingrowing Toenail	1
Ingrowing Toenail in Secondary Care	6
IVF/ICSI Treatment	1
Laser Hair Removal	2
Lipoma Excision	4
Liposuction	1
Lucentis (Ranibizumab)	1
Meibomian Cyst	2
Mole Excision	3
Naevus Removal	2
Open MRI Scan	1

Opinion Only	1
Ozurdex (bilateral)	1
Photodynamic Therapy	1
Ptosis repair	1
Referral to Chronic Fatigue Clinic	1
Rituximab	1
Sacral Nerve Neuromodulation for Faecal Retention	1
Scar Revision	1
Sebaceous cyst	17
Sebaceous Cyst Removal	2
Seborrhoeic Keratosis Removal	2
Septorhinoplasty	1
Skin lesion	20
Skin Lesion in Secondary Care	3
Skin Tag Excision	22
Sleep Clinic	5
Tonsillectomy	2
Varicose Vein Surgery	42
Vasectomy in Secondary Care under GA	7
Verruca Treatment	1
Viral Warts	1
Wart/Papilloma Removal	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>474</b>

## Summary of IFRs by Clinical Procedures – Cases Declined

Activity	Volumes
Total Number of requests declined – April 2015	10
Total Number of requests declined – May 2015	9
Total Number of requests declined – June 2015	10
Total Number of requests declined – July 2015	13
Total Number of requests declined – August 2015	6
Total Number of requests declined – September 2015	9
Total Number of requests declined – October 2015	10
Total Number of requests declined – November 2015	2
Total Number of requests declined – December 2015	4
Total Number of requests declined – January 2016	7
Total Number of requests declined – February 2016	12
Total Number of requests declined – March 2016	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>97</b>

## Total Number of Requests Declined 2015-16



## Summary of IFRs by Clinical Procedures – Cases Declined

Activity	Volume
Abdominoplasty	4
Airsonnett	1
Assessment for PDA	1
Bilateral Breast Augmentation	1
Bilateral Breast Reduction	2
Botox for OAB	1
Breast Asymmetry Correction	2
Carpal Tunnel Surgery	2
Chalazion Removal	4
Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT)	1
Continuous Glucose Monitoring Device	1
CPAP	2
Cyst Excision	1
Female Sterilisation	1
Freestyle Libre Device	1
Goole Neuro Rehab	9
Implantation of Penile Prosthesis	1
Ingrowing Toenail in Secondary Care	6
Labioplasty	2
Lipoma Excision	2
Meibomian Cyst	2
Naevus Removal	1
Open MRI Scan	4



Percutaneous Tibial Nerve Stimulation for Faecal Incontinence	2
Percutaneous Tibial Nerve Stimulation for Urinary Incontinence	1
Pinnaplasty	3
Private Spinal Surgery	1
Referral and Treatment for Sexual Dysfunction	1
Referral to Chronic Fatigue Clinic	6
Removal and Replacement of Breast Implants	3
Scar Revision	5
Sebaceous cyst	1
Sensory Integration Therapy	1
Septorhinoplasty	5
Skin lesion	3
Skin Lesion in Secondary Care	1
Skin Lesion in Secondary Care under LA	1
Skin Tag Excision	1
Steroid Injection for Keloid Scars	1
Sympathectomy for Excessive blushing	1
Tonsillectomy	3
Varicose vein - referral for opinion	1
Varicose Vein Surgery	4
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>97</b>

## Referral Sources

GP Practice	Total Requests Received in 2015/16	Total number of cases approved in 2015/16	Total number of cases declined in 2015/16
Ancora Medical Centre	32	18	2
Ashby Turn Surgery	55	44	5
Barnetby Medical Centre	5	2	0
Bridge Street Surgery	15	1	1
Cambridge Avenue Surgery	38	12	5
Cedar Medical Practice	14	9	1
Church Lane	37	24	1
Kirton Lindsey Surgery	16	7	4
Market Hill Surgery	10	2	2
Riverside Surgery	23	14	3
South Axholme Surgery	51	26	7
The Birches Surgery	29	15	1
The Central Surgery	96	72	6
The Killingholme Surgery	4	2	2
The Oswald Road Surgery	7	4	2
Trent View Surgery	24	17	3

West Common Lane Teaching Practice	18	14	2
West Town Surgery	6	3	2
Winterton Medical Practice	32	22	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>58</b>

## Appeals Management

Number of appeals considered in 2015/16	8
Outcome of appeals – request approved	0
Outcome of appeals – request declined	8