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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 4878

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 06th September 2021.

Your request was as follows:

I am writing to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act in relation to medical appraisals for revalidation; as well as 360 degree multi-source feedback [MSF] at your organisation, including information relating to your use of medical revalidation software and third-party suppliers.

1. Does the organisation use an external supplier to supply software for the management of annual appraisals, revalidation and 360 degree multi-source feedback?

[Yes The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust \(WCFT\) does use an external supplier to supply software for the management of annual appraisals, revalidation and 360 degree multi-source feedback.](#)

2. If so, which supplier does the organisation use for:

a) Medic Appraisals and Revalidation?

b) 360 degree multi-source feedback?

[The WCFT uses L2p for medic appraisals, revalidation and 360 degree multi-source feedback.](#)

3. What was the annual cost to the third party in 20/21 for:

a) Medic Appraisals and Revalidation?

b) 360 degree multi-source feedback?

[£14,700 for medic appraisals, revalidation and 360 degree multi-source feedback.](#)

4. Please can you provide the contract start and end date for:

- a) Medic Appraisals and Revalidation?
- b) 360 degree multi-source feedback?

The contract start date for medic appraisals, revalidation and 360 degree multi-source feedback is November 2020 and this is a 3 year contract so will end in November 2023.

5. When will the organisation commence the start of the next Tender requirement for:
- a) Medic Appraisals and Revalidation?
 - b) 360 degree multi-source feedback?

The WCFT will commence the next tender for medic appraisals, revalidation and 360 degree multi-source feedback in January 2023.

6. Did the organisation procure the supplier via a framework? If so, which framework?
- a) Medic Appraisals and Revalidation?
 - b) 360 degree multi-source feedback?

L2P is procured via a framework provided by Health Trust Europe.

7. Does the organisation use internal or external Appraisers for Annual Appraisal?

The WCFT uses internal appraisers for annual appraisal.

Please see our response above in [blue](#).

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Yours sincerely

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