Dear

Freedom of Information Request

Further to your request for information dated 22 December 2017 the information requested is below

1. **Does your CCG have any policies that require minimum waiting times for surgical procedures?**

NHS Dartford Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group does not have any policies that require a minimum waiting times for surgical procedures.

2. **If yes, please state which procedures.**

N/A

3. **Is your CCG considering any policies which include minimum waiting times?**

NHS Dartford Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group is not currently considering any policies which include minimum waiting times.

Clinical Commissioning Groups were only delegated Primary Care since April 2017. NHS Dartford Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group is unable to provide you any information relating to the closure of GP surgeries within our area prior to that date. The CCG can confirm that since April 2017, there have not been any GP closures within our area.
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