

Subject: Data Protection Services

I can confirm that the ICB does hold some of the information requested; please see responses below:

QUESTION	RESPONSE
Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the following information about your procurement of any (i) external Data Protection Officer (DPO), (ii) Data protection GDPR compliance services for the period FY20122-23 to FY2024-25:	
1. Current DPO arrangements 1.1 Is the organisation's DPO and other staff that work on data protection compliance: a) An internal employee b) A DPO provided by an external service provider c) Hybrid (internal staff with external service provider support) 1.2 Where services are provided by external providers, please share the following information: a) The Company name(s) b) Annual spend by your organisation (FY2022/2023 through to FY2024/2025)	1.1: C 1.2: All costs spent for FY 2024/2025 and 2024/2024 were related to consultancy activities (see section 2 for details). The ICB funds a DPO (Data Protection Officer) Service for GP practices. For more details about this, please contact bnssg.phm@nhs.net

c) The highest day rate paid d) Contract dates (start/end/renewal terms) e) A brief description of the project or services provided (for instance, project title or internal reference) f) Services covered (e.g., audits, breach management, SAR management, delivery of DPIAs) • Please indicate what deliverables were produced • Procurement method (e.g., open competition, framework agreement, direct award) and name of the procurement framework, if applicable.	
2. Consultancy Spend 2.1 What is the organisation's, total annual expenditure on data protection/GDPR consultancy services? 2.2 For SoW/projects which have a spend of more than £5k), please share the following information: • Supplier company name • The scope of the Project (e.g., "ICO investigation support", DPIA support, Internal Audit recommendation support) • Spend • Procurement method 3. Data Protection Compliance staffing	2.1: The Intelligence Centre (formerly SDPP) expenditures are: £17,398 for FY2022/2023, £16,174 for FY2023/2024 and FY2024/2025. South West Secure Data Environment expenditures are: • FY24/25 ICB expenditure IG consultancy provided by South Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW CSU) for: £11,052. • Research Director and Data Access Lead at the University of Bristol £68,025.33 between October 2023 and March 2025 2.2: • SCW CSU • Scope of the support is: ○ Intelligence Centre Programme Information Governance activities support

	○ Support SDE (Secure Data Environment) for CAG S251 (Confidentiality Advisory Group) application, developing and finalising data sharing documentation and data protection impact assessment, providing advice on operationalising principles as set out by CAG/REC. ○ ICB IG compliance: DSP (Data Security and Protection) toolkit, DPIA (Data Protection Impact Assessment), DPA (Data Processing Agreement), sharing agreements support • See question 2.1 for answers • Call-off existing contract • University of Bristol scope of support: ○ Work with GW partners, Southern Consortium and national teams to understand and implement IG requirements and processes necessary for the functioning of the SDE ○ Making applications to regional and national ethics and data governance committees
3. Data Protection Compliance staffing 3.1 The Number of in-house data protection staff in the organisation? (FTE) 3.2 Are there any vacant roles? (Yes/No) 3.3 Where there any ICO investigations, audits, or enforcement actions for the period from FY2022/2023 to FY 2024/2025?	3.1: There are 4 members of staff within the ICB whose roles include data protection responsibilities as part of their portfolio of work: SIRO (Senior Information Risk Owner) Deputy SIRO DPO Deputy DPO 3.2: No 3.3: This information is publicly available on the ICO website: Action we've taken ICO

4. Future Plans 4.1 Is your organisation planning to put out to tender for any DPO/GDPR services in the current financial year? 4.2 If yes, please provide the following: Expected timeline Budget range Key service requirements Procurement method	4.1: Unknown at this time 4.2: N/A
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The information provided in this response is accurate as of 13 May 2025 and has been approved for release by Deborah El-Sayed, Chief Transformation and Digital Officer and Dr Joanne Medhurst, Chief Medical Officer for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.