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Dear ,

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

We are now pleased to respond to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

You asked:

I would like to see a copy of policy/procedure/guidelines followed by the Health Visiting Team relating to when a child should be referred to a paediatrician. Specifically with respect to concerns over slow weight gain or dropping percentile lines on the WHO growth charts as printed in the "red book".

Whilst I would like to see all guidance relating to this matter, I am specifically interested in the following.

- a. At what time should such a referral be made,***
- b. To what level of doctor the referral should be made (registrar, consultant, etc)***
- c. How the referral should be made - Specifically:***
- d. When should a referral be made by same day signposting to Accident and Emergency versus a general written referral to be made at an appropriate outpatient clinic.***

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust does not employ Health Visitors. Please contact Bridgewater NHS Trust on the email address below.

foi@bridgewater.nhs.uk

I hope you find this information useful, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 256335. If we do not hear from you within 28 days we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

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