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## Information for North East Lincolnshire patients currently receiving NHS funded In Vitro Fertilisation (IVF) services

Following a review by North East Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), of its IVF support to 3 cycles, I write to advise you of the outcome and decisions reached.

On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2015, it was agreed by the CCG Council of Members that with effect from the 7<sup>th</sup> August 2015, the CCG would move to funding one cycle of IVF rather than three.

Transition arrangements have also been agreed and will be put into place for those who are *currently* on an IVF pathway.

For those patients who are currently on the IVF pathway, the CCG will fund one additional cycle to that which they have already commenced. For example, if currently on their first cycle, the CCG will fund the second. If on their second, the CCG will fund the third.

Whilst it is hoped that you feel assured by the funding of an additional cycle, we appreciate that this may be upsetting to read. Should you wish to speak to somebody about this, please contact the CCG Customer Care Team on 0300 3000 500 or at <a href="nelccg.askus@nhs.net">nelccg.askus@nhs.net</a>.

Yours sincerely,

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