Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) Central Freedom of Information Team

Our reference: VTR 4046

Date: 29 September 2015

Dear Mr Ellard

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on 23 September 2015 insert date. You asked

The scope of this request is from 1st August 2014 to the current date 23 September 2015

- 1) Could you please tell me if any new or updated guidance has been issued to Jobcentres by the DWP on sanctioning people with the medial condition diabetes
- 2) If such new or updated guidance has been issued, can you please supply it

There is no guidance in existence which specifically covers sanctioning people with diabetes'.

General guidance for Decision Makers can be found on the internet at the following link: https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/decision-makers-guide-staff-guide. Volume 6, chapter 34 covers JSA sanctions.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,

DWP Central Fol Team

Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not happy with this response you may request an internal review by e-mailing freedom-of-information-request@dwp.gsi.gov.uk or by writing to: DWP, Central Fol Team, Caxton House, Tothill Street, SW1H 9NA. Any review request should be submitted within two months of the date of this letter.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Generally the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our own complaints procedure. The Information

Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF www.ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us or telephone 0303 123 1113 or 01625 545745