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Dear Requestor,

Many thanks for your request received on 2nd October 2014 regarding Tier 4 sponsor licences. Please find below the response to your enquiry.

Question 1: “Please can you could you state whether, since being granted a Tier
4 sponsor licence, you have been visited by UK Visas & Immigration
(and before that, the UK Border Agency) for the purpose of
assessing your institution's compliance with the sponsor licence.”

Response: We have never been visited by the UKBA since being granted a Tier 4 sponsor licence for the purpose of assessing our institution's compliance with the sponsor licence.

Question 2: If the answer is yes, please could you state whether the assessment
included direct investigation of the practical application of
admissions policy (i.e., looking at an actual sample of individual
applications already approved for a Tier 4 visa by your
institution) or whether only a general appraisal of policy
relating to the sponsor licence was carried out, without direct
investigation of its practical application.

Response: See answer to 1 above.

Should you be dissatisfied with our response, please contact us within a reasonable time (within 2 months of this response) to library@lstmed.ac.uk.

If you remain dissatisfied, you may appeal this decision to the Information Commissioner. The contact details for the Information Commissioner are Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF, or via the website www.ico.gov.uk.

Should you require any further information or assistance in this matter, please don’t hesitate to contact me at the above address.

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Yours Sincerely,

Julia Martin

Head of Information Services