



Ref: FOIA Reference 2019/20-313

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Date: 16th September 2019

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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 29th August 2019 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding external supplier.

On 2nd September 2019 we contacted you via email as UHNM had received several requests that are asking for similar information that we believe are from the same person/company, therefore as we have received no response, we are contacting you to inform you that under section 12 of the FOI Act we were aggregating these requests on Upper and Lower GI Procedures (request previous acknowledged reference number 315-1920) and external supplier or party to deliver Endoscopy and/or Gastroenterology services/activity.

The section 12 exemption states:

The authority can combine related requests received within a period of 60 consecutive days from:

- The same person or
- People who appear to be acting in concert or in pursuance of a campaign.

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

Q1 Has the Trust utilised an external supplier or party to deliver Endoscopy and/or Gastroenterology services/activity on behalf of the Trust for the below periods?

PERIOD	YES	NO
October 2018 – March 2019		

A1 Please see below:

PERIOD	YES	NO
October 2018 March 2019	Yes	

Q2 Please list the suppliers utilised for Endoscopy and/or Gastroenterologist services/activity within the Trust and break down the amount(s) spent with each supplier over the following periods

	Amount paid (£) to Supplier(s) during below periods					
Supplier(s) Name	Oct-2018	Nov-2018	Dec-2018	Jan-2019	Feb-2019	March-2019
Example LTD	0	0	£1000	£2000	£3000	£1000

A2 Please see below:

	Amount paid (£) to Supplier(s) during below periods					
Supplier(s) Name	Oct-2018	Nov-2018	Dec-2018	Jan-2019	Feb-2019	March-2019
SHS	£79243.66	£79243.66	£79243.66	£79243.66	£79243.66	£79243.66

*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.

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An anonymised copy of this request can be found on the Trust's disclosure log, please note that all requests can be found at the following link: <http://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/aboutus/Statutory-Policies-and-Procedures/Pages/Freedom-of-Information-Disclosure-Log.aspx>

This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

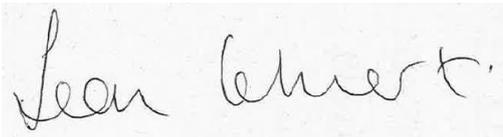
Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via www.ico.org.uk.

If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light-colored background. The signature reads "Jean Lehnert" in a cursive, slightly slanted script.

Jean Lehnert
Information Governance Manager