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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 7th February 2019 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding number of reported thefts from patients.

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 Please disclose the number of reported thefts from patients at all sites in your Trust in each of the following calendar years:

- a. 2018
- b. 2017
- c. 2016

A1 The Trust uses an incident report system called “Datix”. Whilst there may be alleged offences with regard to lost or missing items and property reported on Datix, we do not hold any information as to whether theft is proven.

Q2 For each report of theft from patients in the following calendar years, please provide a breakdown of the item/s stolen, their expected value and the full name of the site where the theft was reported.

- 2018
- 2017
- 2016

A2 Information not held.

*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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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.

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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,



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