



**University Hospitals
of North Midlands**
NHS Trust

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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 2nd January 2019 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding structure of the IT Department.

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 My name is [REDACTED] and I am a medical student at the [REDACTED] I was recently reading an article published by NHS Digital regarding the interoperability of electronic patient record systems which left me wondering whether the structure of the IT Department of an NHS Trust might have an effect on the success of the EPR system implemented.

If you could please take a few moments to answer the questions as attached in the EXCEL File that would be greatly appreciated.

A1 Please refer to the attached spread sheet that you supplied.

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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.

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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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