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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 21st January 2019 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding current supplier for Electronic prescribing.

On the same day we contacted you via email as we required a time frame for question 3.

You replied via email the following:

"In response to question 3, the time period required would be between 1/1/2018 - 31/12/2018."

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 can you confirm the following pieces of information?

- **Who is the Trust's current supplier for their Electronic prescribing and medicines administration?**

A1 The Trust uses an electronic prescribing and medicines administration solution within our oncology department. The Trust uses two suppliers Varian Medical Systems for adults and for paediatrics a system provided by our lead provider Birmingham Children's Hospital.

The Trust has also just embarked on a Trust wide implementation of System C's ePMA system.

Q2 What is the contract start and end date for the Electronic prescribing and medicines administration?

A2 The contract with Varian Medical Systems runs from 1st August 2009 – 31st July 2019. The paediatric service is a service level agreement renewed every financial year.

System C's ePMA system is part of the Trusts EPR contract that runs until 2022.

Q3 What is the annual cost for the Electronic prescribing and medicines administration?

A3 The paediatric service use for prescribing at a cost of £2490 per annum. Information is not held for Varian Medical Services as this cannot be separated from wider contractual costing.

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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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