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Email [FOI@uhnm.nhs.uk](mailto:FOI@uhnm.nhs.uk)

Dear,

I am writing in response to your email dated 30th January 2019 (received in this office on the 31st January) requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding length of colonoscopes used during colonoscopies at the trust.

On 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019 we contacted you via email as we required clarification on what you meant by "length of colonoscopes" – if you are asking how old are the scopes or how long are the scopes?

On the 5<sup>th</sup> February you replied via email with the following:  
"How long the scopes are."

As of 1<sup>st</sup> 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 I wish to know the length of colonoscopes used during colonoscopies at your trust.**

A1 The colonoscopes used at Royal Stoke University Hospital are 190cm long and those used at County Hospital are 200.5cm long.

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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](http://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,



Leah Carlisle  
**Deputy Head of Quality, Safety & Compliance**