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of North Midlands**  
NHS Trust

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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 21<sup>st</sup> March 2019 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding symptom management in end of life care and our response to FOI request reference 758-1891

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 Thanks for this policy. It doesn't quite answer my request although I appreciate that the End of life care policy you have sent is a framework upon what your treatment is based upon.**

**I really needed details of symptom management in end of life care which would include anticipatory medication and advised doses of various medications for syringe pumps etc. It's confusing as I am sure all Trusts use differing terms. I you show this to a palliative care lead, they should understand exactly what I need. I am sorry to take up so much time but thanks in anticipation**

**A1 Please refer to the attached documents.**

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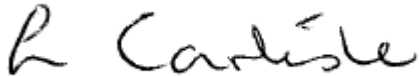
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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours,



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