



Ref: FOIA Reference 2023/24-865

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Dear,

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 6th February 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding employment and the menopause.

On 13th March 2024 we contacted you via email with the following:

UHNM has received several requests that are from the same person/company, therefore we are contacting you to inform you that under section 12 of the FOI Act we were aggregating these requests on Menopause and IT systems

Your new reference number for both is 865-2324

Please note that the clock for previous reference starts as of 13th March 2024

The section 12 exemption states:

The authority can combine related requests received within a period of 60 consecutive days from:

- The same person or
- People who appear to be acting in concert or in pursuance of a campaign.

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.

Request #1(744-2324)

Q1 Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide me with information to the questions in the attached document asking for data relating to employment and the menopause.

A1 Refer to the attached spread sheet that you supplied

Request #2

- Q1 Do you have a single electronic record across your NHS Trust/Health Board?**
- A1 Yes
- Q2 Do you have a single Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) across your NHS Trust/Health Board?**
- A2 No
- Q3 Is there a clinical use of any pathology IT systems in your NHS Trust/Health Board outside of microbiology/pathology laboratories?**
- A3 Yes
- Q4 Do you have a remotely accessible pathology IT system? If no, do you have plans to move to a remotely accessible LIMS in the next a) 1 year, b) 2 years, c) 3 years, d) 5 years or e) some point in the future?**
- A4 Yes
- Q5 In your NHS Trust/Health Board what percentage of point of care systems link into your LIMS?**
- A5 Information not held
- Q6 Does your pharmacy receive patient laboratory test results from a) the laboratory, b) Trust/Health Board patient record, c) pathology IT system, or d) other please specify?**
- A6 Yes
- Q7 Do your General Practices receive patient laboratory test results from a) the laboratory, b) Trust/Health Board patient record, c) pathology IT system, or d) other please specify?**
- A7 Staffordshire GP's (the question does not relate to the Acute Trust)
- Q8 Who in your NHS Trust/Health Board is responsible for a) the procurement, b) implementation, and c) operational management of pathology IT systems.**
- A8 See below:
- A) Supplies and Procurement & Pathology Service (to compile OBS and evaluate)
 - B) Solution provider, Pathology IT and Corporate IM&T
 - C) Pathology IT Team & Supplier (Application Layer Support). Trust IM&T & Supplier support hardware and OS

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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.

Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

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.

Yours,



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