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Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 23rd May 2021 (received into our office 24th May) requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Covid clinic.

The University Hospitals of North Midlands Trust is committed to the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

However, the NHS is facing unprecedented challenges relating to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic at the current time. Understandably, our resources have been diverted to support our front-line colleagues who are working tremendously hard to provide care for our patients, and to those in need of our services.

We strive to be transparent and to work with an open culture. But at this time, whilst care of our patients and the safety of our staff takes precedent, it is likely that responses to some requests for information will be delayed. We apologise for this position in advance, and will endeavour to provide you with as much information as we can, as soon as we are able.

The Information Commissioners Office has recognised the current situation in the NHS

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.

NOTE: information given only relates to UHNM activity only

Q1 I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from the trust with reference, where applicable, to patients diagnosed with or referred with On-going symptomatic COVID-19 (code: 1325181000000106) and Post-COVID-19 syndrome also known as long-Covid (code: 1325161000000102).

Please could you provide answers to the following questions up to and including 1st May 2021? If this is not available, then please provide the answer up to the latest date that you have data for (but not beyond 1st May).

1. Do you have a post Covid syndrome clinic?



- A1 Yes, we have a post Covid service set up where patients are reviewed 6 weeks or 12 weeks post hospital discharge when treated for Covid
- Q2 Number of people referred to the post Covid clinic?**
- A2 Up to the 1st May 2021, 2149 patients have been referred to the post Covid clinic at the University Hospital North Midlands
- Q3 Number of people who have received treatment or specialist rehabilitative services from the post covid clinic?**
- A3 All patients referred to the post Covid clinic will receive advice which can constitute treatment (specific treatments cannot be found from information collected).
- Q4 Average (mean) time taken from referral to first contact with the clinic for the latest two week period? Please provide this in working days.**
- A4 In the last 2 week period all patients requiring a 6 week review post discharge received their review with 5 working days of their intended review by date. Patients that required a 12 week review we reviewed within 3 working days of their intended review by date.
- Q5 The longest time taken from referral to first contact with the clinic.**
- A5 The longest wait from referral to first contact has been 8 weeks (overdue their 12 week review), this was due to patients choice.
- Q6 Number of patients attending the clinic that have been recorded as being able to return to work?**
- A6 Information not held
- Q7 Does the clinic accept patients who were not hospitalised with acute Covid?**
- A7 The post Covid clinic at University Hospital North Midlands is only for patients that have been discharged from hospital with a diagnosis of Covid, patients will require a follow up either 6 weeks or 12 weeks post discharge dependent of severity. There is a post Covid clinic in the community but this is not UHNM activity. Further information may be available from:

Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust. Email: foi@mpft.nhs.uk
- Q8 Number of people seen by clinic who have been given an alternative diagnosis, for example myocarditis.**
- A8 As answer 6
- Q9 How many staff do you have working in the clinic full time, broken down by job titles of (1) doctor (from F1 through to consultant) (2) nurse (3) physiotherapist (4) occupational therapist (5) clinical psychologist/psychiatrist.**
- A9 See below:
- 1 Respiratory consultant

- 2 Respiratory Nurses
- 1 administrator/coordinator

Q10 How many staff do you have working in the clinic part time, broken down by job titles of (1) doctor (from F1 through to consultant) (2) nurse (3) physiotherapist (4) occupational therapist (5) clinical psychologist/psychiatrist.

A10 See below:

- Part time Respiratory Consultant
- Part time Respiratory Nurse
- Part time Advances Nurse Practitioner

*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.

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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.

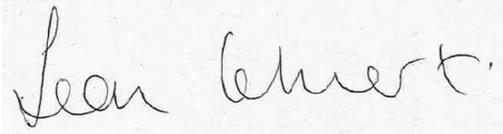
Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and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

If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light grey background. The signature reads "Jean Lehnert" in a cursive script.

Jean Lehnert
Data, Security & Protection Manager