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Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 11th October 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding EPR

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 Name of the Trust's EPR

A1 I can confirm that the Trust holds information regarding EPR, but feel this information is exempt under section 21: *information reasonably accessible by other means*. This is because the information is available via the Trust's public website at the following link: please note that UHNM answer requests regularly on EPR and there are numerous responses on the link below.

<http://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/about-us/regulatory-information/freedom-of-information-publication-scheme/freedom-of-information-disclosure-log/>

Q2 Name of the Trust's integration platform(s)

A2 Liniate Rhapsody

Q3 What are the Trust's digital priorities?

A3 I can confirm that the Trust holds information regarding digital strategy, but feel this information is exempt under section 21: *information reasonably accessible by other means*. This is because the information is available via the Trust's public website at the following link:

<https://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/about-us/our-organisation/>

Q4 Do you have any plans for a clinical data repository/regional shared care record?

4A. If so, what is it called?

4B. If no, is this likely to happen?

A4 4a: One Health & Care Record

Q5 Does the Trust have any clinical systems which are unable to share data interoperably?

A5 Yes

Q6 Does the Trust use or is planning to use Artificial Intelligence for diagnostics?

A6 North Midlands and Cheshire Pathology Service; Cellular Pathology are currently implementing a regional digital pathology solution. At this time the use of AI tools for pathological diagnosis is currently not in scope however the team are looking at this as a possible future development.

Q7 Does the Trust use or is planning to use Clinical Decision Support tools?

A7 UHNM does not currently use Clinical Decision Support, this is included in the functionality of the new EPR specification that is currently in the draft stages of the Outline Business Case

Q8 Does the Trust have a Genomics data management strategy?

A8 Yes

Q9 Does the Trust have an OpenEHR or other vendor-neutral interoperability strategy in place?

9A. If not, is it likely the ICB will develop one?

A9 No the Trust does not have an interoperability strategy in place and am not aware of the ICB developing one.

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Yours,



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