



Ref: FOIA Reference 2021/22-560

Date: 1st March 2022

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 4th February 2022 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding procurement process

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 (UHM) 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 Further to your response to the above FOI request (ref 538-2021- March 2021) you state that your current Dialysis contract is due for review in March 2022. Please can you confirm this and advise how we should approach the Trust to bid for supply?

A1 See below our response to FOI reference 538-2021 answered March 2021

Question	Answer	FOI ref 560-2122 response
How many Dialysis machines do you have?	123	
What type of Dialysis machines do you Currently have? (if split fleet how many of each type)	Fresenius 5008 (76) / 5008s (47)	No expiration date therefore not applicable
Are the machines Trust assets or supplied free of charge for a	Trust Assets	

consumable contract?		
What Bloodlines do you use?	Fresenius	
What Dialysers do you use?	FX 8800 /FX600 and Nipro Sureflux	
Which needles do you use? (Fistula)	Nipro	
Are these Safety needles?	Yes	
What Dialysis concentrate do you use?	Fresenius A5	
What Bicarbonate system and type do you use?	Bi Bag	
How many Haemodialysis sessions are carried out each month / year in the Trust?	34590 in total from main unit and satellite unit that has 40 patient , the other satellite information not held	
How many satellite units do you have?	2 units	
Are you able to give the patient split between the main unit and the satellite units?	160 patients main unit , 40 patients satellite 1 , and 55 patients satellite 2	
Does the Trust use a Purchasing Framework for procuring dialysis products, if so which?	NHS Supply Chain Coordination Ltd NHS Supply Chain/Akeso	
What is the state of the current contract?	Current framework	
When is the current contract due to be renewed?	31/03/22	This date relates to consumables as listed above- therefore not applicable to your question

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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.

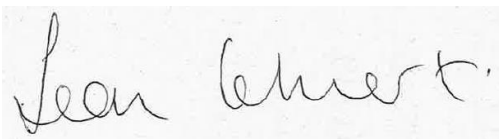
Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and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



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