



Ref: FOIA Reference 2019/20-323

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Date: 7th August 2019

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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 23rd July 2019 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding pre-filled syringes.

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 I'm trying to understand the decision pathway for pre-filled syringes in analgesic, anaesthetic and emergency care in UK hospitals, and I was hoping you might be able to help.

I would like a list of employee job titles (not personal data) for those within your Trust who are decision-makers regarding the decision to procure pre-filled syringes in analgesic, anaesthetic or emergency care.

This could include those employees involved with procurement and management of these products – although I'm not sure!

This information will be used to better understand the general process for the UK, and not reported at an institution level.

A1 Not applicable as the UHNM has had no spend for pre-filled syringes in analgesic, anaesthetic and emergency care.

*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.

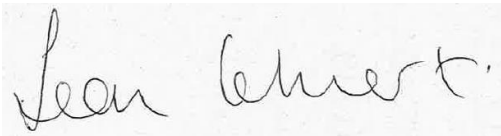
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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours,



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