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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 304-2021

Thank you for your email dated the 13th October 2021, requesting information in relation to Pathology Lab Information.

The information that you require is as follows:

Q1. What Hospitals within your Trust run their own Pathology Labs or Departments?

Q2. At these labs what LIS / LIMS Solution do you use to manage the day-to-day operations.

Q3. When are your LIS / LIMS contracts is up for renewal?

Q4. Which of the 29 Regional Pathology Networks do your hospitals belong to?

Q5. Are you planning to replace your LIS / LIMS at any point in any of your hospitals in the near future? Are there any plans to move to a Pathology Network wide LIS / LIMS for instance (and if so – can you state at this time which Solution)?

Q6. Do your Labs work with or have ties to other organisations that mean they work as a part of another Pathology collaborative (and will this impact how your labs your work within the Regional Pathology Network that they have been assigned to)?

Q7. What LAS (Lab Automation Systems) do you have in each of your Labs?

Q8. What Middleware solutions do your Labs use if any?

Q9. How many tests per year do your Labs do?

I can confirm that our Trust does not hold any information in this regard. Our Trust is a tertiary specialist cancer treatment centre, we therefore do not have a Pathology Laboratory. Therefore, the information you have requested is not applicable to our Trust in this instance.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on the email address provided below.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for this to be investigated internally.

If you are dissatisfied with the information you have received, you have the right to ask for an internal review

Both processes will be handled in accordance with our Trust's Freedom of Information Policy and the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Internal investigation and internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Freedom of Information Review, The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust, Clatterbridge Road, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 4JY

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal investigation/review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

In order for us to ensure customer satisfaction and to monitor compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we would be grateful if you could take a couple of minutes to complete a short feedback form via the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/H39RFMM>

Kind Regards,

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