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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 8th January 2019 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding infected blood inquiry correspondence and steps.

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 This is a Freedom of Information request. I am requesting the following:

Copies of all correspondence to/from the Infected Blood Inquiry during the period 1st April 2018 to 7th January 2019.

- A1 Please refer to the attached documents
- Q2 Please advise whether or not you have received any notice or instruction regarding the retention and/or request of documents relevant to the Infected Blood Inquiry?
- A2 UHNM have received documentation for retention but not a formal request for documents.
- Q3 If a request for documentation and/or its retention has been received from the Infected Blood Inquiry, please supply a copy of any such notices or requests.
- A3 Please refer to the attached document.

*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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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 676474.

Yours,

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