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Date: 13th May 2019

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 18th April 2019 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding radiology-extravasation threshold rates.

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 Criteria. Radiology departments who administer IV contract media for radiology procedure.

Background. South Tees NHS Trust would like to set a threshold number regarding extravasations during administration of IV contract media to trigger an internal investigation.

Question. Do other Trusts have a threshold number and/or criteria regarding extravasations during administration of IV contract media to trigger an internal investigation?

A1 UHNM does not specifically monitor extravasation rates or have an incident frequency trigger which prompts an investigation.

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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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