



Ref: FOIA Reference 2020/21-596

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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding SJRs and our response to FOI ref 583-2021- UHNM has already answered this request, so your new question is a new request

***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***

On the same day we contacted you via email as we required the following clarification:  
Do you want summary from each of the 797 as given in response 583-2021 or just the hospital acquired COVID SJRs?

You replied via email with:  
"Just the hospital-acquired ones please"

As of 1<sup>st</sup> 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 Apologies, I sent the below FOI request a few days ago and I realised that I missed off one of the questions I planned to send.**

**Please could you add this question to the request -?**

**What was the outcome of the SJRs (or SIs, if the SJR system is not used). For each SJR please give a brief summary of outcome e.g. any particular processes that were changed, any conclusion as to what went wrong).**

A1 I can confirm that the Trust holds information regarding the above, but feel this information is exempt under section 22: *Information for future publication*. Available in the Trust Board papers at the following link: April 2021  
<https://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/about-us/our-board/>

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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](http://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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