



Ref: FOIA Reference 2022/23-724

Date: 3rd April 2023

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 16th March 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Payment of NHS Trust Suppliers.

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHM) 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 Payment of NHS Trust Suppliers

For the period between June 2022 and January 2023, please provide the statistics as follows:

- **The average number of days taken to make payments to suppliers, measured from the date of receipt of invoice or other notice to the date the cash is received by the supplier**

A1 16 days

Q2 The percentage of payments made within the reporting period which were paid in 30 days or fewer, between 31 and 60 days, and in 61 days or longer

A2 See below:

Number of days paid	% of invoices
30 days or fewer	85%
Between 31 and 60 days	8%
61 days or longer	7%

Q3 The percentage of payments due within the reporting period which were not paid within the agreed payment period

A3 15%

*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 671612.

Yours,



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