



Ref: FOIA Reference 2022/23-169

Date: 4<sup>th</sup> August 2022

Email [foi@uhnm.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@uhnm.nhs.uk)

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 24th June 2022 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Theatre Utilisation.

**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.**

As of 1<sup>st</sup> 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 I'd like to request the below information please from University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust:**

**Number of theatres at County Hospital**

A1 Refer to the attached spread sheet

**Q2 Number of theatres at Royal Stoke University Hospital**

A2 As answer 1

**Q3 The primary surgical speciality for each individual theatre within County Hospital (E.G Theatre 1 – Urology, Theatre 2 – Orthopaedics)**

A3 As answer 1

**Q4 The primary surgical speciality for each individual theatre within Royal Stoke University Hospital (E.G Theatre 1 – Urology, Theatre 2 – Orthopaedics)**

A4 As answer 1

**Q5 For each theatre, please can you provide the current incumbent supplier of single-use procedure packs**

A5 Procedure packs are only Cardiothoracic and Thoracic and the packs are from Unisurge

**Q6 Please can you provide the name and email address of the procurement manager that would specifically procure consumable items for the Trust.**

A6 Jane Kitchen\*. Note: all Trust emails are in the following format.  
[Firstname.lastname@uhnm.nhs.uk](mailto:Firstname.lastname@uhnm.nhs.uk)

**\*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.

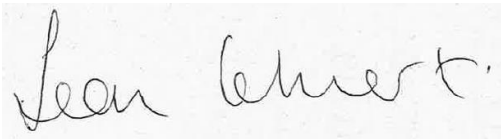
Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light-colored background. The signature reads "Jean Lehnert" in a cursive script.

Jean Lehnert  
**Data, Security & Protection Manager**