



Ref: FOIA Reference 2023/24-314

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Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 18th August 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding patient flow.

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 In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, please can you provide me with the following information -

- **What are you currently using to manage patient flow at the Trust (manage the patient journey from entry to discharge)**
- **What is the contract end date of the above system?**
- **What was the contract value for the above system?**
- **Are you planning on going out to tender, or review alternative systems within the next 12 months?**

A1 We at UHNM NHS Trust have an inhouse system built by our developers called Ward information system (WIS) We have no plans to go out specifically to look for bed management systems. Our future solution will form part of procurement for our new EPR.

Q2 Are you currently using an electronic bed management system at the Trust?

- **What is the contract end date of the above system?**
- **What was the contract value for the above system?**
- **Are you planning on going out to tender, or review alternative systems within the next 12 months?**

A2 Yes as per Q1

Q3 Do you currently have, or are you feeding into a CDR (Central Data Repository) or Shared Care Record?

- **If so, what is it called?**
- **If no, are you planning to in the next 12 months?**

A3 Yes, UHNM feeds into a Shared Care Record. It is known as One Health & Care. We have no plans in the next 12 months to procure a new solution.

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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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Yours,



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