



Ref: FOIA Reference 2018/19-459

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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 2nd November 2018 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding the Radiology department:

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 Under the freedom of information act please could you answer the following questions regarding your Radiology department?

1. Does your Trust Outsource Radiology Reporting (Diagnosis)? If yes which Reporting Houses do they use?

A1 The Trust does outsource Radiology reporting (Diagnosis) and uses Medica and 4Ways.

Q2 In the last financial year what % of Radiology Reporting (Diagnosis) has been outsourced to companies such as 4ways, Medica, Everlight and Telemedicine?

A2 For the last financial year the percentage was 1.4%

Q3 What was the total spend in the last financial year for the outsourcing of Radiology Reporting (Diagnosis).

A3 For the last financial year the cost of outsourcing of Radiology reporting (Diagnosis) was £314,000

Q4 Has the Trust previously used the Health Trust Europe (HTE) Framework to purchase services within the Trust?

A4 Yes.

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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 676474.

Yours,



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