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NHS Trust

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Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 23rd February 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding IT Spend and HIMSS

On 23rd February 2024 a colleague of yours submitted another request using the Digital Health email address, we responded with the following:

UHNM has received several requests that are asking for similar information that are from the same person/company, therefore we are contacting you to inform you that under section 12 of the FOI Act we were aggregating these requests on IT Spend and HIMSS and Infrastructure IT FOI 2024

Your new reference number for both is 807-2324

The section 12 exemption states:

The authority can combine related requests received within a period of 60 consecutive days from:

- The same person or
- People who appear to be acting in concert or in pursuance of a campaign.

Note that on FOI Ref 748-2324 after being challenged for proof of identity you admitted to working for [REDACTED]

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.

### **Request #1 (796-2324)**

**Q1 I am writing to make an open government request for all the information to which I am entitled under the FOI Act 2000.**



Can you please provide an update regarding aspects of your Trust's Cloud usage and Data storage details? The four questions are in the attached spreadsheet, which I would be grateful if you could fill in.

A1 Refer to the attached spread sheet that you supplied, *please note that each section of your 4 questions is considered a new question under the FOI Act.*

## Request #2

Q1 I would like to submit a request for a disclosure of information relating to your NHS Trust's Information Technology (IT) Spend, and your current HIMSS EMRAM and INFRAM scores.

Can you please provide your trust's IT spend for the following financial years:  
FY 2021-2022:  
FY 2022-2023:

Which HIMSS EMRAM score have your Trust currently achieved (0-7):  
Which HIMSS INFRAM score have your Trust currently achieved (0-7):  
If your Trust are working towards achieving a new HIMSS EMRAM or INFRAM level, what level is this, and when will it be achieved:

### Definitions:

**Electronic Medical Record Adoption Model (EMRAM)** – is an eight-stage model, scored from stages zero (least mature) to seven (most mature). At each stage, organisations need to demonstrate a progressive and eventual removal of paper, higher pervasiveness of use and compliance statistics, and an increasing reliance on automation and clinical decision support.

**Infrastructure Adoption Model (INFRAM)** – The eight-stage INFRAM measures the maturity of a healthcare facility's IT infrastructure across five areas: mobility, security, collaboration, transport and data centre.

A1 See below:

FY 2021-2022:

- Information Management and Technology (IM&T) capital spend was £4,866,920
- IM&T Directorate revenue spend was £12,281,953

FY 2022-2023:

- IM&T capital spend was £5,263,202
- IM&T Directorate revenue spend was £12,167,321

The Trust's HIMSS EMRAM score is currently: 2

The Trust's HIMSS INFRAM score is currently: 3

The Trust is working towards EMRAM score of 5 and INFRAM score of 5

\*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).

Yours,



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