



**University Hospitals
of North Midlands**
NHS Trust

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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 9th January 2019 (received into our office 10th January) requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding EU settlement scheme.

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 Are you intending to cover the cost of the EU settlement scheme fee for your employees affected by Brexit?

A1 I can confirm that the Trust holds information regarding cost of the EU settlement scheme fee, but feel this information is exempt under section 21: *information reasonably accessible by other means*. This is because the information is available via the Trust's public website at the following link: <http://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/aboutus/Statutory-Policies-and-Procedures/Pages/Freedom-of-Information-Disclosure-Log.aspx> (January 2018/19 FOI Reference 574-1819)

Q2 How many EU national employees do you estimate have applied or will need to apply under the scheme?

A2 The Trust originally estimated 330; however this has been reviewed to 280

Q3 If you are covering their fees, what is your estimate for how much in total the cost is to you?

A3 As answer 1

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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:

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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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