

Ref: FOIA Reference 2019/20-240

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Date: 31st July 2019

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 29th July 2019 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding medical devices.

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 Does the Trust have an internal EBME/Clinical Engineering/Medical Engineering department who are responsible for maintenance, repairs and servicing of medical devices or is this outsourced to an external contractor or is it a combination of in house and outsourced?
- A1 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) has an internal clinical engineering department.
- Q2 If outsourced or a combination of in house and outsourced, who is the outsourced contract with?
- A2 Not applicable
- Q3 What is the contract renewal date?
- A3 Not applicable

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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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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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