



**University Hospitals  
of North Midlands**  
NHS Trust

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Date: 18<sup>th</sup> April 2019

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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 16<sup>th</sup> April 2019 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding sexual health postal testing kits.

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.

**Q1 I'm enquiring about sexual health postal testing kits. I would like to know:**

**(1) The amount spent in pounds sterling on sexual health postal testing kits (which are sent through the post to a patient's home and then returned by them for analysis) in the past three financial years: 2018-19; 2017-18; 2016-17 – up to the latest year for which data is held.**

A1 None, this information is held by local Genito-Urinary Medicine (GUM) clinics

**Q2 The number of sexual health postal testing kits sent to patients in the past three years (figures for each year)**

A2 As answer 1

**Q3 The number of sexual health postal testing kits returned to the authority in the same years (figures for each year)**

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.

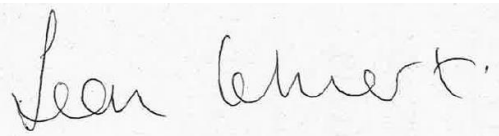
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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours,



Jean Lehnert  
**Information Governance Manager**