



Ref: FOIA Reference 2024/25-189

Date: 24th July 2024

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 13th June 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding MRIs

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 Please could you kindly provide data on the following:

The number of referrals for Open MRIs for patient size (not claustrophobia) authorised by your Trust in 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and until June 1, 2024.

A1 We don't provide an open MRI service.

Q2 Total remuneration for open MRI scans for patient size including staffing and MFF for the same time frame as above.

A2 We don't provide an open MRI service.

Q3 A single total figure for how much the Trust has spent on specialist bariatric equipment for the same time frame as above.

A3 Over the period stated above the Trust has spent £1.2 million (inc vat) approximately

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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.

Yours,



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