



Ref: FOIA Reference 2022/23-716

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023

Email [foi@uhnm.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@uhnm.nhs.uk)

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 11th March 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding local Treatment Guidelines for Chronic Kidney Disease or Diabetic Kidney Disease.

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 Please find below a freedom of information request relating to the treatment of Chronic Kidney Disease or Diabetic Kidney Disease**

<b>Does University Hospital of North Midlands NHS Trust have any local treatment guidelines, pathways or protocols for the treatment of Chronic Kidney Disease or Diabetic Kidney Disease?</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
	<b>If Yes, please provide a copy.</b>

A1 The Trust has locally developed guidelines by the Bedside Clinical Guidelines Partnership with information contained regarding chronic kidney disease. The Bedside Clinical Guidelines Partnership is exempt under Section 43(2) – *Prejudice to commercial interests of the Freedom of Information Act*, as partners pay an annual subscription to receive the guidelines.

The attached Guidelines are what we can supply- note some are due to be reviewed

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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](http://www.ico.org.uk).

If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.

Yours,



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