



Ref: FOIA Reference 2023/24-255

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

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 21st July 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding inherited cardiac

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 Thank you for your response (ref 250-2324). However, I believe this information should be available from you. I have re-written the request below making it more specific which may aid in getting an answer.**

**Does North Midlands NHS Trust (Royal Stoke Hospital) have a dedicated inherited cardiac conditions team?**

A1 UHNM has a dedicated ICC team, Clinics are held at Royal Stoke.

**Q2 If they do not have a dedicated team or would not treat the condition where would patients be referred to?**

A2 UHNM has a dedicated ICC team as above.

**Q3 Specifically, would a local hospital manage drug treatment up until the stage of surgery (septal ablation or surgical myectomy)?**

A3 Patients can be managed at UHNM to include follow up, investigations and/or drug treatment. Surgery (specifically septal ablation and surgical myectomy) has been carried out at UHNM in the past

**Q4 If surgery is not offered where would the patient be referred to?**

A4 Not applicable

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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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