

Information Governance

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Dear

Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act

Thank you for your email of 8 December, making a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested the following information and the Trust can provide the information below in response:

Request:

Please supply the following information, has your hospital trust have had dealings or contacts with a company call Acquascience who might have been under contact to Leica, for the supply and removal of the following during the past 2 years and the approximate quantities removed.”

Supply

Removal and safe disposal

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Xylene• IDA / IMS 99%• IDA / IMS 95%• IDA / IMS 70%• Methanol• Neutral Buffered Formalin 10%• Formaldehyde 37% – 40%• Formal Saline 10%• Deionised Water• Formic Acid• Acid Alcohol | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Xylene• IDA / IMS (all %)• Methanol• Tissue Fixative (NBF / FS)• Formic Acid• Alcohol Stains• Aqueous Stains• Paraffin Wax• Used Histology Pots• Other Plastic Containers |
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Response:

Oxford Health provides specialist mental health services and specialist community health services. The Trust does utilise such equipment and substances but does not deal with this company and holds no information in respect of this request as a result. The Trust advises that it is possible that Acute hospitals may hold such information and should be contacted accordingly.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to me and I will ensure the decision is reviewed. The Trust will consider undertaking a review if requested to do so within 40 working days of the date the response is received by the applicant, and will apply discretion if a longer period of time has passed.

Should you wish to make a complaint as a result of the outcome of such a review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision.

Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust for FoI Act matters.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Please contact me if there are any further queries.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mark Underwood

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