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Dear

Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act

Thank you for your email of 1st March making a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested the following information and the Trust is able to provide the information below in response:

Request:

If you cover more than one hospital, please provide the following information for each of the hospitals covered under your trust broken down individually

The questions are in relation to ECG monitoring which is carried out only in the hospital setting.

Please supply details of:

1. How many tests in the following categories do you perform each year?
 - 24hr Holter
 - 48hr Holter
 - 72hr Holter
 - 7 day Holter
 - 7 day event recorder
 - Other please specify

2. Which monitoring modality do you use for the following, specify make and model?
 - 24hr Holter
 - 48hr Holter
 - 72hr Holter
 - 7 day Holter
 - 7 day event recorder
 - Other please specify
3. How many monitors do you have of each make/model?
4. How much is the service contract for each modality per year?
5. How many of these are in repair/lost?
6. What is the cost of repair if the device is not under a service contract?
7. What was the price paid per unit for each of the monitoring modalities above?
8. How much was the analysis software package (if purchased)?
9. What is the cost of the service contract on the analysis software?
10. What is your annual spend on consumables for monitoring?
 - Batteries
 - Electrodes
 - Alcohol wipes
 - Razors
 - Cleaning materials for monitors
 - Replacement leads
11. What is the average salary band of staff analysing ambulatory ECG monitor data?
12. How many of the staff employed to analyse ambulatory ECG data are working through a locum agency?
13. What is the current waiting time from referral to monitor fitting? Please specify if waiting times vary for each modality.
14. What is the current waiting time from monitor return to result availability? Please specify if waiting times vary for each modality.

15. How many ambulatory monitoring patients require hospital transport per year?

- Is transport also used to return the monitor?
- What is the average cost per return?

16. Does the patient also need to be transported back to hospital for removal?

17. What is the annual cost of transport services for ambulatory monitoring patients?

18. Is outpatient monitoring capacity limited by inpatient demand for monitoring?

19. Are you meeting monitoring demand for?

- Routine monitoring referrals
- Urgent monitoring referrals

20. If not, what was your annual spend on breaching fines in the last financial year?

Response:

No information held - Oxford Health NHS FT is a provider of specialist secondary mental health services and specialist community health services. The Trust does not provide any ECG monitoring services and holds no information in respect of your request as a result.

If you are concerned 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

Head of Information Governance