

Royal Stoke University Hospital

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Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Ref: FOIA Reference 2020/21-022

Date: 19th May 2020

Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 29th April 2020 (received into our office 30th April) requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding maternity structure

On our acknowledgment we added the following statement:

The University Hospitals of North Midlands Trust is committed to the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

However, the NHS is facing unprecedented challenges relating to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic at the current time. Understandably, our resources have been diverted to support our front-line colleagues who are working tremendously hard to provide care for our patients, and to those in need of our services.

We strive to be transparent and to work with an open culture. But at this time, whilst care of our patients and the safety of our staff takes precedent, it is likely that responses to some requests for information will be delayed. We apologise for this position in advance, and will endeavour to provide you with as much information as we can, as soon as we are able.

The Information Commissioners Office has recognised the current situation in the NHS.

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 I am writing to request the structure of the local maternity systems in Stoke and Staffordshire.

I am looking to locate the lead for maternity services in each area and wondered if there was a hierarchical job diagram with individuals names, and possibly contact details that I could be provided.

A1 Information not held by UHNM; please contact the CCG at the following:

North Staffordshire Clinical Commissioning Group Email: foi.northstaffordshireccg@lancashirecsu.nhs.uk

Stoke-on-Trent Clinical Commission Group

Email: foi.StokeonTrentCCG@lancashirecsu.nhs.uk







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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.

Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

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.

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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