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Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

1.How many STI postal test kits on average do you send out a year in total from your sexual health service? - 731

2.What is the average amount of test kits you send out to service users from your sexual health services a day? - 3 (per working day)

3. What is the maximum amount of test kits you have sent out to service users in a day? - 11

4.What is the average percentage of tests that are returned? - 57.46%

5. What is the range return rate of the percentage of tests that are returned? - Between 48% and 68%

For example: One provider has told me, "Return rates typically range between 70% and 95% depending on the region, averaging between 75-80%."

6.How much does your STI test cost to produce, send out and process, including pathology (the cost of processing the samples)? – Unable to answer this question as information is not broken down and recorded this way.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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