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Russell's Hall Hospital
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Ref: FOI-000304

Date: 27/9/23

Address / Email:

Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please see response below.

We kindly request the following information relating to the supply of Apomorphine products for the treatment of patients with Parkinson's disease in the care of the Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust (**DGFT**), and the provision of associated services to the DGFT (or Russells Hall Hospital) in connection with the administration of Apomorphine products to patients in the home:

1. Copies of any contracts and agreements (including amendment/variation agreements) between the DGFT (or Russells Hall Hospital) and Britannia Pharmaceuticals Ltd in relation to the supply of Apomorphine products.
 - There is a procurement framework in place which was done by NHSE Commercial Medicines Unit so contracts would have been negotiated by them not the Trust.
2. Copies of correspondence between the DGFT (or Russells Hall Hospital) and Britannia Pharmaceuticals Ltd in relation to:
 - a. the "treatment of disease, disorder or injury", "nursing care" or any other "regulated activities" (as set out in Schedule 1 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) Regulations 2014) by nurses employed by Britannia Pharmaceuticals Ltd in connection with the administration of Apomorphine products to patients in the care of the DGFT in the home; or
 - b. registration with the Care Quality Commission (**CQC**); or
 - c. compliance with the Health and Social Care Act 2008 and associated subsidiary legislation.

The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust's (DGFT) e-mail system is managed by a third-party organisation called Accenture on behalf of NHS Mail. The Trust itself cannot run reports on e-mails.

The Trust must log a service request with Accenture with details of exactly what information is required so they can complete an email search.

As there are other NHS Trusts around the country that also use NHS Mail, it is not possible for a bulk e-mail search to be done on all DGFT e-mails, we would need to know specific names of people whose e-mail needed to be looked into.

3. Copies of any honorary contracts between the DGFT (or Russells Hall Hospital) and any nurses providing homecare services to patients in the care of the DGFT on behalf of Britannia Pharmaceuticals Ltd.
 - Please see attached template of the honorary contract that is used.

We acknowledge that the requested documents may contain commercially sensitive information and/or personal data, which is consequently protected by confidentiality and/or data protection laws. However, we hope the Trust can still accommodate our request by redacting the relevant parts of the aforementioned documents where appropriate.

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

Freedom of Information Team
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