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Address / Email:

Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

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

Request

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, could you provide an answer to the following:

1. Do you have a single electronic record across your NHS Trust/Health Board?
2. Do you have a single Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) across your NHS Trust/Health Board?
3. Is there a clinical use of any pathology IT systems in your NHS Trust/Health Board outside of microbiology/pathology laboratories?
4. Do you have a remotely accessible pathology IT system? If no, do you have plans to move to a remotely accessible LIMS in the next a) 1 year, b) 2 years, c) 3 years, d) 5 years or e) some point in the future?
5. In your NHS Trust/Health Board what percentage of point of care systems link into your LIMS?
6. Does your pharmacy receive patient laboratory test results from a) the laboratory, b) Trust/Health Board patient record, c) pathology IT system, or d) other please specify?
7. Do your General Practices receive patient laboratory test results from a) the laboratory, b) Trust/Health Board patient record, c) pathology IT system, or d) other please specify?
8. Who in your NHS Trust/Health Board is responsible for a) the procurement, b) implementation, and c) operational management of pathology IT systems.

Response

The Trust is now part of The Black Country Pathology Services.

The Black Country Pathology Services (BCPS) partnership will integrate pathology services at The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust (RWT), with Sandwell West Birmingham Hospitals NHS Trust (SWBH), Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust (DGH) and Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust (WHT). The BCPS will be hosted by RWT on behalf of partnership.

You will need to forward your request to The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust.

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
The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust