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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

I am writing to make a formal request for information under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding collaborative working (including joint working) projects with pharmaceutical and related companies that your organisation is involved in.

For clarity, by "collaborative" I mean *projects/initiatives whereby you are working with one or more pharmaceutical companies to deliver enhanced patient care or are for the benefit of patients or alternatively benefit the NHS and, as a minimum, maintain patient care. By "Joint working" I mean projects/initiatives involving working between one or more pharmaceutical company and healthcare organisation(s), which is patient-centered and always benefits patients.*

For each collaborative/joint working project entered into from April 2019 to today please detail:

- Name of project/initiative**
- Date entered into the project/initiative.**
- Name of the pharmaceutical company/companies**
- Name of the NHS organisations involved.**
- The aims/goals used to justify the project.**
- Resources planned to be utilized in the projections, or assessments conducted by your organisations on the outcomes or impact of these joint working projects.**
- When the project/initiative is planned to be complete.**

I would like to emphasise that this request is made aiming to enhance transparency and accountability in the collaboration between the NHS and the pharmaceutical industry.

Response

The Trust is not involved in any collaborative working (including joint working) projects with pharmaceutical and related companies.

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.

Information Governance Manager

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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.

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

Yours sincerely

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