

Trust Headquarters
Russells Hall Hospital
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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, please see response below.

1. Do you have a policy (or policies) which outlines the responsibilities of health and care professionals and the Trust towards a patient who has an Advance Decision to Refuse Treatment (ADRT) or Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) for Health and Welfare?

This document might include:

- how an ADRT/LPA should be used in decisions about a person's treatment,
- what to do if there are doubts about the validity and/or applicability of the document,
- how to involve Health and Welfare Attorneys when making treatment decisions
- how or when decisions will be referred to the Court of Protection

If yes, please share a copy with us in any available format.

- Please see attached documents

For a copy of the documents please contact dqft.foi@nhs.uk quoting reference FOI-082025-0001817

2. In the event that a patient or family member, or someone using the Trust's services has a concern about the implementation of an Advance Decision to Refuse Treatment (ADRT) or a Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) for Health and Welfare, does the Trust/Health Board have a documented process or course of action that would be provided to the person to allow them to resolve their concerns?

If yes, please share a copy with us.

If this information is covered within a policy you have included in the response above, please leave blank.

- In the circumstances that a patient or family have a concern about LPA/ADRT and it cannot be resolved at point of service, they would be directed to the PALS Team.

3. Do you have a named individual who is responsible for overseeing the Trust's compliance with the Mental Capacity Act 2005?

If yes, please share their contact details.

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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.

Information Commissioners Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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Tel: 0303 123 1113
www.ico.org.uk

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

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Team
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