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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.

I am writing to submit a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I would be grateful if you could provide information regarding your hospitals clinical practice on the timing of methotrexate (MTX) level monitoring in patients receiving high-dose methotrexate (HDMTX) therapy. Specifically, I am seeking the following:

**Adult Patients**

1. For adult patients with acute lymphoblastic leukaemia (ALL) receiving HDMTX, at what time point does your centre take the first MTX level?  
- **Adult patients with ALL - we would send methotrexate levels at 48 hrs after starting infusion**
2. For adult patients with osteosarcoma receiving HDMTX, at what time point does your centre take the first MTX level?  
- **N/A, patients with osteosarcoma are not treated at the Trust.**
3. For adult patients with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma receiving HDMTX, at what time point does your centre take the first MTX level?  
- **48 hrs after starting methotrexate infusion**

**Paediatric Patients – N/A**

1. For paediatric patients with acute lymphoblastic leukaemia (ALL) receiving HDMTX, at what time point does your centre take the first MTX level?
2. For paediatric patients with osteosarcoma receiving HDMTX, at what time point does your centre take the first MTX level?
3. For paediatric patients with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma receiving HDMTX, at what time point does your centre take the first MTX level?

- **Children do not undergo treatment at the Trust**

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Information Governance Manager

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

Yours sincerely

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