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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 request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please provide the following information:

- The total number of diagnostic tests performed for Group A Streptococcus (Strep A) during the calendar years of 2024 and 2025, broken down by test type.
- If available, please indicate the type of tests used (e.g., rapid antigen, rapid molecular, culture).
- Any associated data on positivity rates for these tests, if recorded.

Response

The Black Country Pathology Services (BCPS) Partnership integrates pathology services and is based at The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust (RWT) for Sandwell West Birmingham Hospitals NHS Trust (SWBH), The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust (DGH) and Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust (WHT). The Black Country Pathology Service is hosted by RWT on behalf of the Partnership.

Therefore, please can you forward your request to The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust rwtr.FOI@nhs.net

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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Information Commissioners Office
Wycliffe House
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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
The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust