

**Freedom of Information Request**

**Ref: 23-220**

31 March 2023

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

- We can confirm that we do hold the information you are requesting

**This request relates specifically to the training (if any) that the Trust provides to its clinical staff, for example nurses, in how to correctly use medical devices.**

**Medical Device = A medical device is any device intended to be used for medical purposes. For the purposes of this query, examples such as Anaesthetic machine, patient monitor, Infusion device, ECG Machine, defibrillator, thermometers, etc.**

**1. Do employees at the trust undertake clinical end user training for medical devices?**  
Yes.

**2. Which departments or employee titles are required to undertake medical device end user training?**

Any member of staff who is using a medical device must have been trained in it's use and deemed competent.

**3. How is the training provided?**

- Online/E-learning
- In person
- Combination of online & in person ✓
- Other (please state)

**4. Who provides/ produces the training?**

- Manufacturer ✓
- Someone directly employed by the trust (please provide job title) ✓ Specialist Nurses, Practice Education Facilitators and the Practice Development Team
- A third party (please provide the name of the provider)
- Other (please state)

**5. What types of medical devices are subject to such end user training?**

All medical Devices are subject to end user training.

**6. If the training is online/e-learning, what Learning Management System (LMS) does the Trust use for employee training? Examples: Moodle, Totara, Mindflash, Google Classroom**

Kallidus

**7. If you do use Learning Management Software, does it enable managers to see whether their staff are up to date with training?**

Yes.

**8. Is annual recertification of competence managed manually, or does your Learning Management System automatically send reminders and allocate the appropriate courses to users?**

Kallidus will alert staff if their training needs renewing. If the training has been provided by a different route then this will be done manually by the ward managers and Practice Education Facilitators.

**9. How much funding has the trust allocated to e-Learning in the past year?**

£114,427

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Data Protection Officer  
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust  
Trust Headquarters  
Marlborough Street  
Bristol  
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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