

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 23-379

26 May 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

We would like to request the following information from University Hospitals Bristol & Weston NHS FT

1) We understand the ICS/Trust has representation on the following Medicines Management / Prescribing / Formulary Committees:

- Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire (BNSSG) Joint Formulary Group

Please confirm if this is correct. This is correct.
If not correct, please list the relevant Committees.

2) Does the Organisation have representation on any other medicines management / prescribing / formulary committees? If so, please advise which.

BNSSG (Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire) Area Prescribing and Medicines Optimisation Committee. SW Regional Medicines Optimisation Committee.

3) We have the following formularies listed as used by the Organisation:

- Bristol, North Somerset & South Gloucestershire (BNSSG) Joint Adult Formulary
- Bristol, North Somerset & South Gloucestershire (BNSSG) Joint Paediatric Formulary
- Somerset Adult Prescribing Formulary

Please confirm if this is correct and if not, please provide online link(s)/copy of relevant formularies.

This is correct.

4) Are any of the above formularies dominant when making prescribing decisions or

does this depend on therapy area? Please say which is the relevant formulary of the Organisation.

This is dependent on age of the patient and ICS locality they are resident in.

5) If you use a PDF formulary, have you considered moving it to an online platform like Netformulary, and if yes, when are you planning to do so?

Not applicable.

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
BS1 3NU

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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