

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 23-672

20 September 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

Please can you disclose any policies and/or guidance and/or any other documentation you hold relating to training in informed consent for doctors working at your hospital. In particular, we are interested in any policies/guidance/documentation which address the following:

1. Whether training in informed consent is mandatory for doctors working within your hospital.

Yes

2. Who provides/funds training in informed consent for doctors working at your hospital.

It is a free internal eLearning programme, developed and revised periodically by Trust subject matter experts.

3. What a doctor must do to fulfil any training requirements relating to informed consent

Complete the basic internal eLearning and update every 3 years. The Trust's Legal Department offers occasional additional training on Consent, upon request. There is an additional eLearning for Healthcare programme 'Consent and Refusal by Adults with Capacity' also on Kallidus. This can be accessed by doctors in the Safeguarding Adults Level 2 (the majority of doctors are here) and level 3 audiences. Neither the Legal training sessions nor the optional ELfH programme register as compliance, however, but provide additional specialist knowledge to those who require it.

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
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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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