

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 23-706

10 October 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

The subject of my request is outsourced radiology reporting via 'teleradiology' companies of CTs, X-rays, MRIs, PET-CT and any other diagnostic scans.

Q1. So far in 2023 have you outsourced any scans to teleradiology providers for reporting?

Yes

If so, which providers?

Everlight, TMC, MIP, Alliance Medical (Bristol site) Everlight, TMC, MIP, Alliance Medical, St. Josephs, 4ways (Weston site)

Q2. Which company would you consider (by volume of scans or frequency used) your emergency/out of hours reporting provider(s)?

(If more than one company, please outline the nature of how both companies are used (i.e., different hospitals, weekends and weekdays, different types of scans)). Everlight

Q3. By the same measure as Q2, which would you consider your primary/main elective/non-emergency reporting provider(s)? Everlight

Q4. For any providers not listed in Q's 2 and 3, please could you briefly describe what you utilise this provider for? Extra capacity when required

Q5. Please could you provide the contract end dates for any contracts you hold with the providers listed in the answers to the above questions?

(If the contract is rolling or does not have a fixed end date, please could you confirm the notice period/terms of terminating the contract?) 2026 +1

Q6. Are the Trust currently in an open tender exercise for any radiology reporting contracts/services? If so, what services are being reviewed (emergency/out of hours and/or elective/non-emergency)?

No, 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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