

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 24-003

11 January 2024

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

1) Who is your current contractor for clinical waste collections? This will usually be one contractor for offensive/hazardous waste (tiger and orange bags) as well as sharps however if you have more than one contractor, please could you name them all
Stericycle & Sharpsmart

2) Please could you confirm if you are in a specific contract for clinical waste management or if clinical waste is collected as part of a wider total waste management solution. If a part of a total waste management solution, the TWM provider should be named in question 1

The Trust is under a contract extension until the end of March 2024

3) If in contract for clinical waste management, please could you confirm the start date and the term of the contract? Could you please state if you contractually have the option extend past the standard duration and if so by how long? An example answer would be as follows.

'Aug 2022 start date for 3 years with the option of +1 extension wrote into the contract'

As above, the Trust is under a contract extension from April 2023 until the end of March 2024 and is currently going through a waste tender process with a neighbouring Trust.

4) If known, please could you confirm how many separate sites clinical waste is collected from across your estate?

Over 10 sites

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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