

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB 20-181

29 April 2020

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:

Request:

Please provide me with copies of all correspondence signed by any member of your executive board (or sent from their e-mail account) to either the DHSC, PHE or NHS England where there is a mention of either (i) ventilators and (ii) PPE equipment in relation to how your Trust will cope with the influx of Coronavirus patients and/or how a lack of (i) ventilators and (ii) PPE equipment is endangering the lives of your patients or staff.

Response:

To search, identify and collate the requested data, would take University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust, more than 18 hours and it is therefore exempt form disclosure under section 12 of the FOI Act.

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:

Director of Corporate Governance 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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