

Ref: 21-478

## **Freedom of Information Request**

1 September 2021

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 not hold the information you are requesting

How many of the following have been identified in the hospital-

Cases of false positive Covid-19 tests?
Cases of false negative Covid-19 tests?

Did false readings appear singularly, in clusters or both? When were the cases of false readings identified? Please give dates.

Was research done in to why false readings were found?

If so, was the reason-

Human error in taking the swab? Lab error in processing the swab? Equipment error? Another reason?

We do not hold this information. North Bristol Trust may hold this information, please contact their Freedom of Information team on foi@nbt.nhs.uk

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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