

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 22-002

11 January 2022

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. Does the Trust perform bronchoscopic lung procedures? If so, please specify which procedures.

Yes, Flexible bronchoscopy, Rigid bronchoscopy, EBUS

2. Does the Trust use endobronchial ultrasound (EBUS)? If so, how many EBUS procedures are performed annually in the Trust?

Yes, in 2020 (calendar year) we performed 34 EBUS procedures but this is on the rise, 68 in 2021 (calendar year)

3. Does the Trust currently use training phantoms when educating clinical staff on multimodal (CT and ultrasound) imaging?

No

4. What techniques / procedures are taught using training phantoms within the Trust? E.g. bronchoscopy, endobronchial ultrasounds (EBUS)

We don't have any for bronchoscopy training

5. Who is involved in the decision to purchase training phantoms within the Trust? (Job Title only)

The initial decision to pursue funding would be taken by Specialty Manager/Clinical Leads, agreement of funding would be taken by Divisional Finance Manager and Deputy Divisional Director. Depending on cost of equipment this decision could be escalated to Trust Director of Finance/Chief Operating Officer.

6. How many training phantoms (for multimodal imaging) have been purchased by the Trust in the last 5 years?

We do not hold this information

7. What brand(s) of training phantoms have been purchased by the Trust in the past 5 years?

We do not hold this information

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
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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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