

**Freedom of Information Request**

**Ref: 22-283**

5 July 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

**On the week of 14th March I had a new starter to the helideck and during her first week I took her around the trust and showed her all the plantrooms that she may end up working in.**

**I took her to the plantroom on level F of St Michaels but later found out that this room was contaminated with asbestos and was 51 times the legal limit.**

**There was no signage in place to stop staff from going in to the plantroom.**

**There has since been an asbestos survey and air monitoring report carried out by external contractors.**

**As this has the potential of affecting my health, I would like to see all copies of the air monitoring report and asbestos report that has been carried out in this plantroom.**

**The estates officer who has been in control of the work is Troy Gordon and he will be able to supply you with the initial report.**

**I have already asked for the report but so far have not received anything however I do accept that there is still ongoing investigations and a final report is due soon that I would also like to see.**

**I have contacted Occupational health as I believe we should now have a medical.**

This is under investigation. All relevant staff have been informed and external expert advice is also being sought. The final report will be shared with colleagues and uploaded to the Datix incident reporting system raised as a historical record of events. Please see the attached document which is an appendice to the final report which is still being completed.\*

\*We have not provided the information in the requested format as we have considered that there is the potential for the individuals to be identified, when considered with other information that may be in the public domain. In our view disclosure of information would breach the Data Protection Act. Therefore please find that Section 40(2) exemption contained within the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is engaged. Section 40 is the exemption for personal

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:

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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