

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 22-342

13 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 hold some of the information you are requesting

Subject: Reporting of histology cases

During the financial year 2021/22, please state which of the following arrangements were used for reporting histology cases which were not reported by employed or locum histopathologists during their contracted Programmed Activities (PAs). Please also state the amount spent in each category used.

a) Payment to own consultants for additional work outside contracted PAs. Method used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

We do not hold this information this figure as this is part of a tariff University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust pay to North Bristol NHS Trust for the whole service and this cannot be split out separately.

b) Payment directly to another Trust/ NHS provider, or consultants employed by another Trust/ NHS provider for reporting. Method used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

We do not hold this information this figure as this is part of a tariff University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust pay to North Bristol NHS Trust for the whole service and this cannot be split out separately.

c) Payment to a commercial company for reporting. Method used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

We do not hold this information this figure as this is part of a tariff University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust pay to North Bristol NHS Trust for the whole service and this cannot be split out separately.

If the answer to c) above was yes, please state which of the following companies was used, and the amount paid to each of the following companies in relation to financial year 2021/22.

a) Backlogs Limited Company used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

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b) Source Bioscience Company used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

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c) LD Path Company used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

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d) Cellular Pathology Services Company used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

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e) Unilabs Company used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

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f) Pathognomics Company used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

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g) Digital Pathology Partners Company used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

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h) Other – please state which Company used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

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How many Whole Time Equivalent histopathology consultants were in post on 31/3/22?

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Subject: Reporting of radiology

During the financial year 2021/22, please state which of the following arrangements were used for reporting radiology cases which were not reported by employed or locum radiologists during their contracted Programmed Activities (PAs). Please also state the amount spent in each category used.

We do not hold this information. Please note that radiology reporting of which the majority is in house reporting is not possible to split out as it is just a part of the overall consultant costs (similar to the above response for Histology reporting, we do not have a way to break this out of the overall cost). However, we do outsource some of our reporting to TMC.

a) Payment to own consultants for additional work outside contracted PAs. Method used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

We do not hold this information. Please note that radiology reporting of which the majority is in house reporting is not possible to split out as it is just a part of the overall consultant costs (similar to the above response for Histology reporting, we do not have a way to break this out of the overall cost).

b) Payment directly to another Trust/ NHS provider, or consultants employed by another Trust/ NHS provider for reporting. Method used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

We do not hold this information. Please note that radiology reporting of which the majority is in house reporting is not possible to split out as it is just a part of the overall consultant costs (similar to the above response for Histology reporting, we do not have a way to break this out of the overall cost).

c) Payment to a commercial company for reporting. Method used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

We do not hold this information. Please note that radiology reporting of which the majority is in house reporting is not possible to split out as it is just a part of the overall consultant costs (similar to the above response for Histology reporting, we do not have a way to break this out of the overall cost).

If the answer to c) above was yes, please state which of the following companies was used, and the amount paid to each of the following companies in relation to financial year 2021/22.

We do not hold this information. Please note that radiology reporting of which the majority is in house reporting is not possible to split out as it is just a part of the overall consultant costs (similar to the above response for Histology reporting, we do not have a way to break this out of the overall cost).

a) Medica plc Company used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

We do not hold this information. Please note that radiology reporting of which the majority is in house reporting is not possible to split out as it is just a part of the overall consultant costs

(similar to the above response for Histology reporting, we do not have a way to break this out of the overall cost).

b) Telemedicine Clinic (TMC) Company used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

2021/22 £427,995

**c) Radiology Reporting Online, also known as Everlight Company used
YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year**

We do not hold this information. Please note that radiology reporting of which the majority is in house reporting is not possible to split out as it is just a part of the overall consultant costs (similar to the above response for Histology reporting, we do not have a way to break this out of the overall cost).

d) Four Ways Company used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

We do not hold this information. Please note that radiology reporting of which the majority is in house reporting is not possible to split out as it is just a part of the overall consultant costs (similar to the above response for Histology reporting, we do not have a way to break this out of the overall cost).

e) Dulwich Medical Company used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

We do not hold this information. Please note that radiology reporting of which the majority is in house reporting is not possible to split out as it is just a part of the overall consultant costs (similar to the above response for Histology reporting, we do not have a way to break this out of the overall cost).

f) Other – please state which Company used YES/ NO if YES £amount spent in year

We do not hold this information. Please note that radiology reporting of which the majority is in house reporting is not possible to split out as it is just a part of the overall consultant costs (similar to the above response for Histology reporting, we do not have a way to break this out of the overall cost).

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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