

Ref: 25-223

Freedom of Information Request

31 March 2025

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) We have the following formularies listed as used by the organisation:
 Bristol, North Somerset & South Gloucestershire (BNSSG) Joint Adult Formulary
 Bristol, North Somerset & South Gloucestershire (BNSSG) Joint Paediatric Formulary
 Somerset Adult Prescribing Formulary

Please confirm if this is correct and if not, please provide any relevant online links or copies of formularies.

Correct

2) We understand the following committees maintain the formularies in question 1: Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Joint Formulary Group Please confirm if this is correct. If not correct, please list the relevant committees with the corresponding formulary.

Somerset Adult Prescribing Formulary is maintained by Somerset Integrated Care Board.

- 3) Does the organisation have representation on the committees listed in question 2? Yes, Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Joint Formulary Group
- 4) Are any of the above formularies listed in question 1 dominant when making prescribing decisions or does this depend on therapy area? Please say which is the dominant formulary of the organisation.

Bristol, North Somerset & South Gloucestershire (BNSSG) Joint Adult Formulary and Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire (BNSSG) Joint Paediatric Formulary are both dominant depending on the age of the patient.

5) If you use a PDF formulary, have you considered moving it to an online platform like Netformulary, and if yes, when are you planning to do so?

We do not use a PDF formulary

6) Request for Re-use

If your organisation does hold this information and is able to share it, then I would like to submit the following request for re-using the information:

We request permission to re-use the information provided as part of independent analyses commissioned by our clients. The contents of the reports will not be made available publicly but may be used by other IQVIA Group entities and service suppliers. The information in the reports will be presented in a factual manner with all publication details staying true to the publisher.

Agreed

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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