

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 25-432

18th June 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

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I request the following information regarding your use of insourcing for haematology, histopathology, and/or microbiology services between 1 April 2024 and the date of this request (i.e., the last 12 months):

Service Usage:

Does your trust currently use (or has it used in the last 12 months) insourcing providers for any of the following services?

- a) Haematology**
- b) Histopathology**
- c) Microbiology**
- d) Oncology**

(If yes, please specify which specialties)

None used

Provider Details:

For each insourced specialty above, provide:

- a) The name(s) of the external provider(s).**
- b) The start and end date(s) of the contract(s).**

Not applicable

Scope & Volume:

A brief description of the services covered (e.g., "blood film reporting," "biopsy analysis," "infection screening").

Estimated annual spend (or total spend) on these insourcing arrangements for 2023/24.
Not applicable

Procurement Method:

Was the contract awarded via a framework (e.g., NHS SBS DPS, Crown Commercial Service)? If yes, state which one.

Not applicable

If no insourcing is used for these specialties, please state "None."

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
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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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