

**Freedom of Information Request**

**Ref: 25-593**

23 July 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 hold some of the information you are requesting

**1. Testing and Management Protocols for Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE)**

**1.1. Does your trust have a clinical protocol for testing and managing patients for Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE)?**

**If yes:**

- a) Is your CRE testing protocol primarily molecular-based?**
- b) If not, please specify which type of testing protocol is followed.**

**3.2. Which diagnostic companies or providers does your trust procure molecular testing kits for services for CRE from?**

**2. Testing Protocols for Clostridioides difficile (C. difficile) Infection**

**2.1. Does your trust have a formal protocol for testing patients for Clostridioides difficile (C. difficile) infection?**

**If yes:**

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- a) Is your C. difficile testing protocol molecular-based?**
- b) If not, please specify the testing method used.**

**3.2. Which diagnostic companies or providers does your trust procure molecular testing kits for services for C. difficile from?**

**3. Testing and Procurement for Tuberculosis (TB) Resistance**

**3.1. What methods does your trust use to test for tuberculosis (TB) resistance?**

**3.2. Which diagnostic companies or providers does your trust procure molecular testing kits for services for TB resistance from?**

We do not hold this information. This service is provided by North Bristol NHS Trust. Please contact [FOIArequests@nbt.nhs.uk](mailto:FOIArequests@nbt.nhs.uk) for further 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  
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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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