

Date: **3 June 2019**

Our reference: **FOIRQ5210**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your request for information processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please see our response to your request below:

### **Your Request**

*I am writing to request data under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for all the Radiology and Ultrasound equipment at the hospitals within your Trust.*

*For support, I have attached an excel document which sets out the information that I would like to gather. I would be grateful if you could populate the attachment and provide with your response. Hopefully this will make the process easier for the person collating and providing the information. A summary of the information requested in the excel attachment is shown below:*

*1. For each individual Radiology and Ultrasound diagnostic imaging system within the Trust:*

- a. Site Location (Hospital Name)*
- b. Manufacturer Name*
- c. Model Name*
- d. Whether the equipment has been Purchased / Leased / MES*
- e. Age of equipment (years)*
- f. Current Service provider name*
- g. Current Service contract end date*
- h. Current Service contract type:*
  - i. Preventative Maintenance*
  - ii. Fully Comprehensive*
- i. Service cost per annum*
- j. Planned replacement date*

*Where complete data is not possible, please provide as much of the available data as possible in an Excel Format. An email response is preferable*

[Your attachment: Excel spreadsheet titled "*Freedom of Information - template for completion*"]

### **Our Response**

Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust (the 'Trust') is a single site, specialist tertiary paediatric trust. Please see our response to your request for information within the attached Excel spreadsheet titled "*FOIRQ5210 – Radiology and Ultrasound Diagnostic Equipment*".

**Please Note 1:** The information we have provided for numbers 43 and 44 relate to the Trust's in-house maintenance contract. The Excel spreadsheet only allows for the information to be answered under the options in the drop-down filters.

**Please Note 2:** \*\*The Trust is unable to respond to your request for service costs as the information is not recorded in the format requested in Column K. The information we have provided in the spreadsheet from Columns B-J & L has already reached the cost limit of 18 hours to process your requests for information. The information relating to service costs is not centrally recorded and would require a member of staff from a different department to conduct a search of purchase orders against suppliers listed and then cross-check the details against the relevant contracts, including a further cross-check via the financial system to identify, locate and extract the relevant information. A final verification of the information identified would also need to be completed.

The Trust has estimated that to process the information to answer Column K would require at least 2 days (15 hours) to check and cross-check the details prior to carrying out a separate check of the finance system, which is estimated to take a further 2 days (15 hours) to collate the information; which excludes a final review of the information. Your request is therefore estimated to exceed a further 18 hours under Section 12 (Cost Limit) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000 allows the Trust to refuse a request where the cost of compliance is estimated to exceed the appropriate limit. The appropriate limit for section 12 purposes is defined by The Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulation 2004 SI 2004 No 3244 ('Fees Regulation').

Under regulation 3 of the Fees Regulation the appropriate cost limit for the Trust is £450. The Fees Regulation also states that all authorities should calculate the time spent on the permitted activities at the flat rate of £25 per person, per hour. This means that the appropriate limit will be exceeded, if it would require more than 18 hours' work for the Trust to carry out the following activities in complying with the request:

- determining whether the information is held;
- locating the information, or a document containing it;
- retrieving the information, or a document containing it; and
- extracting the information from a document containing it.

**Please note:**

The information provided under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is the information held on the date your request was received by the Trust.

We trust the information provided is sufficient and helped to answer any issues, concerns or questions. Should you have any further queries in relation

to this request, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Team and quote the above reference number on any related correspondence.

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Yours sincerely

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**[Enclosed – Your rights – see next page]**

### **Your Rights**

If you are not dissatisfied with the response you have received to your request for information, please contact the FOI team and quote your reference number on all correspondence relating to your request.

You can also write to the Head of Quality & Safety at the following address:

Quality & Safety team  
Great Ormond Street Hospital  
LONDON  
WC1N 3JH

If you are still not satisfied with your response, you also have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner.

You can contact the Information Commissioner's Office at the following address:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF