

Date: **13 May 2020**

Our reference: **FOIRQ5774**

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

**Your Request and our Response (in bold)**

*Please tell me how your Trust plans to enforce the new smoking ban on hospital grounds once it takes effect in April?*

**Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust (the 'Trust') already operates a no-smoking policy. Adherence to this policy will be monitored in the following ways:**

- **Inclusion of a no smoking clause in all job descriptions will be monitored by an annual audit of a random selection of job descriptions carried by the Human Resources department**
- **Inclusion of no smoking information in pre-admission information booklets will be monitored during production by the Health Information/Language Manager.**

*Secondly for those caught disobeying the ban, if they are to be fined as a result, how much exactly would they have to pay out?*

**This statement written below has been taken from the Trust's policy**

***Staff and all other individuals should be aware that non-compliance with the smoke free law may result in them receiving a fixed penalty fine and possible criminal prosecution.***

*Thirdly, does your trust currently offer any on-site smoking cessation methods to encourage people to quit or seek an alternative to traditional cigarettes (such as e-cigarettes)? Would these also have to be purchased or would they be distributed free of charge?*

**The NHS Smoking Helpline is available on 0800 169 0 169, or via the Internet at <http://www.nhs.uk/smokefree>. Information about smoking cessation services within England and Wales are available from this resource.**

**Please note**

The information we have provided under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

is the information held on the date your request was received by the Trust.  
We hope the information provided is sufficient and helpful in answering your questions, issues or concerns. 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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Should you have any questions relating to the response you have received to your request for information, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Team. Alternatively, you are entitled to make a request for an internal review within two months from the date of receiving our final response to your original request. You can also write to the Head of Quality & Safety at the following address:

Quality & Safety team  
Great Ormond Street Hospital  
LONDON  
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If, however, you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review then you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner as the final stage of the FOI process. You can contact the Information Commissioner's Office at the following address:

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