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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 3rd January 2024. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

Requested information:

In an attempt to understand the landscape across the NHS I am requesting information about clinical waste contracts. Please can you provide the information for the queries below for your trust. If your trust has split or amalgamated in the last 3 years, please could you break the information down into historic trusts as relevant.

- 1) Who is your current contractor for clinical waste collections? This will usually be one contractor for offensive/hazardous waste (tiger and orange bags) as well as sharps however if you have more than one contractor, please could you name them all
Tradebe for offensive/hazardous waste (tiger and orange bags) as well as sharps.
- 2) Please could you confirm if you are in a specific contract for clinical waste management or if clinical waste is collected as part of a wider total waste management solution. If a part of a total waste management solution, the TWM provider should be named in question 1
The Trust is in a specific contract for clinical waste management.
- 3) If in contract for clinical waste management, please could you confirm the start date and the term of the contract? Could you please state if you contractually have the option extend past the standard duration and if so by how long? An example answer would be as follows. 'Aug 2022 start date for 3 years with the option of +1 extension wrote into the contract'.
Contract start date 30/10/2021, 3-year contract with the option to extend for a further 1 + 1 years written into the contract.
- 4) If known, please could you confirm how many separate sites clinical waste is collected from across your estate?
The contract for clinical waste currently covers 16 Trust sites.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review of the management of your request. 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: Dr Buki Adeyemo, Chief Executive, North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare

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Trust, Trust Headquarters, Lawton House, Bellringer Road, Trentham, ST4 8HH. 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.

Yours sincerely



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