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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 26th May 2023. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

Requested information:

We would like to request the following information from North Staffs Combined Healthcare NHS Trust

- 1) We understand the ICS/Trust has representation on the following Medicines Management / Prescribing / Formulary Committees:
 - North Staffordshire Area Prescribing Committee

Please confirm if this is correct.

If not correct, please list the relevant Committees. **The APC no longer exists, the new meeting is the Integrated Medicines Optimisation Group. Yes, NSCHT is represented at the IMOG.**

- 2) Does the Organisation have representation on any other medicines management / prescribing / formulary committees? If so, please advise which. **The New Medicines Committee**
- 3) We have the following formularies listed as used by the Organisation:
 - North Staffordshire Joint Formulary

Please confirm if this is correct and if not, please provide online link(s)/copy of relevant formularies. **Correct.**

- 4) Are any of the above formularies dominant when making prescribing decisions or does this depend on therapy area? Please say which is the relevant formulary of the Organisation. [North Staffordshire Joint Formulary Formulary](#)
- 5) If you use a PDF formulary, have you considered moving it to an online platform like Netformulary, and if yes, when are you planning to do so? **N/A**

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 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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