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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 1st December 2025. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

Requested information:

I would be most grateful if you would provide me, under the terms of The Freedom of Information Act, answers to the following questions.

1. How many medical devices/EBME Managed devices does the Trust own? **800**
2. How many Trust medical devices are subject to lease/ finance arrangements? **None**
3. How many patient beds does the Trust own? **85**
4. How many patient beds are subject to lease/ finance arrangements? **None**
5. Does the Trust maintain the devices using a EBME/ Clinical Engineering/ Medical Physics Department? **No**
6. How many Engineers are employed by the Trust within the EBME/ Clinical Engineering/ Medical Physics Department? **N/A**
7. Does the Trust subcontract the maintenance of any medical/ EBME devices to an external service provider? **Yes**
8. What devices are under service contract with an external service provider? **All devices are under external provider services.**
9. If an external service provider(s) is utilised, please provide the name of the contracted service provider?
 - **University Hospital of North Midlands (UHNM)**
 - **SECA**

10. Where an external service provider(s) is utilised, please provide the type of service contract that is in place, i.e. PPM/ Fully- Comprehensive/ Ad-hoc support and for what device? **All devices are under a PPM. The service type is also fully comprehensive.**
11. Where an external service provider(s) is utilised, please state the service contract period, i.e. start/ end dates?
 - **SECA, 3 year service contract, April 2025 - March 2028**
 - **UHNM annual review.**
12. Where an external service provider(s) is utilised, what was the value of the contract on award?
 - **UHNM- £70,000**
 - **SECA- £4189.50 plus VAT for a 3 year Contract + parts**
13. Please confirm as a percentage the amount of devices that have had their routine scheduled service/ inspection completed. **100%**
14. Please confirm as a percentage the amount of devices that have not had their routine scheduled service/ inspection completed. **0%**
15. Please provide the name, email address of the role responsible for managing medical devices within the Trust. **Health & Safety Advisor, Safety@combined.nhs.uk**

Staff names and email addresses are exempt as they constitute personal data and would contravene the principles of the Data Protection Act 2018 (in accordance with qualified exemption S40 (2)(a) of the FOI Act).

Definitions

Medical Device

A medical device is any device intended to be used for medical purposes. For the purposes of this query, examples such as Anaesthetic machine, patient monitor, Infusion device, ECG Machine etc.

EBME

Electro-Biomedical Engineering, also referred to as Clinical Engineering, Medical Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, MEMS, etc.

PPM

Planned Preventative Maintenance, i.e. annual service.

Fully Comprehensive

Maintenance contract covering the cost of Planned Maintenance and cost of repair parts and labour of equipment.

Ad-hoc support

Subcontracted work to engineering company on an informal basis.

KPI

Key Performance Indicator to measure the performance of a contract or department.

*For clarity, contact details are kept in the strictest confidence. These details are used only to contact regarding information of legitimate interest for the relevant contracts.

Yours

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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