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Dear Gerry

Re: Freedom of Information request – ref: 20810 Hospitality

This letter confirms receipt of your request for information under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, requesting information relating to hospitality.

I am pleased to attach our response to your email received on 1st December 2010.

Should you have any reservations about how your request was handled or if you feel the information supplied is inadequate, you will have access to our complaints system which will be sent to you if necessary.

Kind Regards

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Dawn Kenny

Director of Corporate Affairs & Trust Secretary

20810 Hospitality

Does the Trust have a Gifts, Hospitality and Sponsorship Policy or similar which reflects the NHS Guidance "COMMERCIAL SPONSORSHIP – ETHICAL STANDARDS FOR THE NHS, Nov 2000" and if so, please send me a copy. If the Trust guidance is instead within the Trust SFIs/SOs, please send me a copy of these.

Under Section 21(3) of the Freedom of Information Act, this information is available via the publication scheme. Under the spirit of the act, please find a direct link to our publication scheme.

http://www.walsallhospitals.nhs.uk/library/walsall09/aboutthetrust/foi/publication%20scheme%202010.doc

Please supply a copy of the Trust 2008/9 and 2009/10 Hospitality, Sponsorship and Gifts registers. Please consider excluding names of individuals, but including Directors titles or names and including names of companies supplying Sponsorship. Supplying company names enables scrutiny of the frequency and value of multiple sponsorship.

The Register of Gifts and Hospitality 2008-09 is available via our publication scheme to which a direct link is above.

Please find attached the Register of Gifts and Hospitality 2009-10 to this email.

Does the Trust include details of sponsorship in the Hospitality register by pharmaceutical companies or other medical supplies companies for attendance at events such as medical conferences? If not, is there somewhere else where this information is held?

Please see attached document.