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Request for Information

Dear Mr Deakin,

I am writing regarding your request for information which we received via email on the 28/02/2014. In that request you asked for information in relation to the cost of x-rays and CT scans.

We are pleased to provide the following information in response to your specific questions.

I would like to know the typical cost of a single chest Xray vs a CT scan of the same area. I would also like to know the different radiation levels between the two.

The tariff prices for these radiological examinations are:-

Chest x-ray with report £25

CT Thorax post contrast with report £106

The information regarding the typical effective dose for the two examinations is in the public domain and can be downloaded for free from the following website:

<http://www.hpa.org.uk/Publications/Radiation/CRCEScientificAndTechnicalReportSeries/HPACRCE012/>

The Trust is therefore not obliged to provide this information under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 by virtue of exemption 21 – Information available by other means, as this information is available online we will not be processing this part of your request any further.

If you have any queries about our response, please let me know by writing to the above address.

Yours sincerely,

Laura Sillitoe
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