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Ref: Freedom of Information Request

Our Ref: FOI 4672

Date: 4th September 2017

Dear G Manning,

I am writing in response to your email dated 3rd August 2017 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) regarding Histology reporting.

Q1 *How many histology slides and or cases (please state whether the number given is slides or cases or both) were reported by consultant histopathologists for patients treated by the trust. If exact numbers are not available, an estimate to within 5% is acceptable, but please state whether exact numbers or estimates are given. (cytology should be excluded)*

A1 **Between April 2016 and March 2017:**

Number of Cases performed within the Trust = 36,494

Number of Cases Referred to the Trust = 5325.

A % of cases referred to us for reporting/review will be treated within the Trust but we are unable to give a specific number as our Database does not hold this information.

Q2 *Of these slides/ cases how many were reported by:*

- a) *Consultants employed by the trust working in their normal NHS programmed activity sessions*
- b) *.Consultants employed by the trust being paid for additional sessions*
- c) *Consultants employed by the trust being paid an amount per slide or case for activity outside their contracted programmed activities*
- d) *Consultants employed by other trusts, where the trust contracts with these consultants or their trust*
- e) *Backlogs Limited*
- f) *Unilabs*
- g) *Source Bioscience*

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- h) Cellular Pathology Services Limited*
- i) Other private histology providers (please specify which)*

A2

Between April 2016 and March 2017:

- A. Information not held on the number of cases reported by Consultants employed in the Trust working in their normal NHS Programmed activity sessions as our Database does not report this.**
- B. Information not held on the number of cases reported by Consultants employed by the Trust being paid for additional sessions as our Database does not report this.**
- C. Not applicable**
- D. 499 cases were reported by Consultants employed by other Trusts, where the Trust contracts with these Consultants or their Trusts**
- E. No cases were reported by Backlogs Limited during Apr 2016 – Mar 2017**
- F. No cases were reported by UniLabs during Apr 2016 – Mar 2017**
- G. No cases were reported by Source BioScience during Apr 2016 – Mar 2017**
- H. No cases were reported by Cellular Pathology Services Ltd during Apr 2016 – Mar 2017**
- I. No cases were reported by other private Histology providers during Apr 2016 – Mar 2017**

Q3

How much was spent in 2016/17 with each of the following in relation to the reporting of histology slides/ cases :

- a).Consultants employed by the trust being paid for additional sessions*
- b).Consultants employed by the trust being paid an amount per slide or case for activity outside their contracted programmed activities*
- c).Consultants employed by other trusts, where the trust contracts with these consultants or their trust*
- d).Backlogs Limited*
- e).Unilabs*
- f.) Source Bioscience*
- g) .Cellular Pathology Services Limited*
- h) .Other private histology providers (please specify which)*

A3

- A. Information not held on how much was spent during Apr 2016 – Mar 17 for Consultants employed by the trust being paid for additional sessions as our Database does not report this.**
- B. Information not held on how much was spent during Apr 2016 – Mar 17 for Consultants employed by the trust being paid an amount per slide or case for activity outside their contracted programmed activities**
- C. Total costs for cases reported in 2016/17 by Consultants employed by other Trusts, where the Trust contracts with these Consultants or their Trust was £45,247.**
- D. No cases were reported by Backlogs Ltd during Apr 2016 – Mar 2017 so total spent was £0.00**
- E. No cases were reported by Unilabs during Apr 2016 – Mar 2017 so total spent was £0.00.**
- F. No cases were reported by Source Bioscience during Apr 2016 – Mar 2017 so total spent was £0.00**
- G. No cases were reported by Cellular Pathology Services Ltd during Apr 2016 – Mar 2017 so total spent was £0.00**

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H. No cases were reported by other private Histology providers during Apr 2016 – Mar 2017 so total spent was £0.00

This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request will be held on a database held by the Trust.

With regards,

Freedom of Information Officer

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