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**Our Ref:** AH150413

Dear Mr Henry

**Re: Request for information – Freedom of Information Act 2000**

I refer to your request for the following information.

- How many times has Emeritus Professor Dorota Iwaniec-Curl's conclusions differed to those of the proposed Care Plans.

Trust decisions in relation to the release of information that the Trust holds are governed by the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000, the Data Protection Act (DPA) 1998 and other pieces of associated legislation.

The information requested is not held by the Trust in a format which is readily accessible. The relevant information relates to a total of 19 cases but not to individual children. In order to provide some clarification, by the time a court hearing is concluded, there will be at least two or more relatively large files held on each of the children. This being the case, as a conservative estimate, to try to locate, retrieve and collate the requested information would involve an extensive manual exercise to be undertaken to go through a minimum of some 38 individual files. Consultation would also have to be undertaken with legal services and barristers as the files would not include written information on any oral evidence provided by Emeritus Professor Dorota Iwaniec-Curl or Northern Trust staff in Care Proceedings.

The Northern H&SC Trust considers, therefore, that the cost of providing the information requested would be in excess of the 'Appropriate Limit' as defined under Section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act.

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's decision regarding your request, you may request a review of the decision by writing to me within two calendar months of the date of this letter. You also have the right of appeal to the Information Commissioner, by putting your complaint in writing to the following address.

Causeway House, Route Complex, 8e Coleraine Road, Ballymoney, Co. Antrim, BT53 6BP  
Tel: 028 2766 1317, E-mail: [Debbie.Troy@northerntrust.hscni.net](mailto:Debbie.Troy@northerntrust.hscni.net)



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The Information Commissioner's Office  
FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution Team  
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However, I would advise you that the Information Commissioner's Office will not normally consider your appeal until you have exhausted the Trust's internal review process.

Yours sincerely



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**Debbie Troy**  
**Senior Information Governance Officer**

