



By email

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Dear Mr E Owen,

Re: Freedom of Information request - Vetting Management Software

Thank you for your email dated 29 May 2020. In accordance with Section 1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act), I can confirm that Public Health England (PHE) holds some of the information you have specified.

I have answered your questions in turn.

What, if any, bespoke software is used for managing and tracking staff vetting?

If bespoke software is used, what was the start date, duration and value of the contract?

Is there an extension clause in the contract and, if so, the duration of the extension?

Has a decision been made yet on whether the contract is are being either extended or renewed?

PHE does not use bespoke software for managing and tracking staff vetting.

Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for managing the vetting process?

This information is exempt under Section 40 of the Act – *Personal Information*. Under PHE's disclosure policy, only senior staff who are in a post at Senior Civil Servant (SCS) pay band 2 and above are named and their position title given.

If you have any queries regarding the information that has been supplied to you, please refer your query to in writing in the first instance. If you remain dissatisfied and would like to request an internal review, then please contact us at the address above or by emailing foi@phe.gov.uk.

Please note that you have the right to an independent review by the Information Commissioner's Office if a complaint cannot be resolved through the PHE complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner's Office can be contacted by

writing to Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely,

FOI Team