



## Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 01 July 2019.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

**1)** Does your Trust allow patients and / or their nominated representatives to make audio recordings of their appointments and / or consultations with a member of staff when they ask the staff member if it is acceptable to do so? Yes if this has been agreed with the treating clinician.

2) Could you please provide the name(s) of the policy / policies and a copy of the specific section of the policy / policies that is used to inform staff of the policy / policies when a patient and / or their nominated representatives requests to audio record their appointment / consultation? Information Governance Policy – Please see attached.

**3)** Does your Trust allow patients and / or their nominated representatives to make video recordings of their appointments and / or consultations with a member of staff when they ask the staff member if it is acceptable to do so? Section 22 Information Governance Policy – Please see attached.

4) Could you please provide the name(s) of the policy / policies and a copy of the specific section of the policy / policies that is used to inform staff of the policy / policies when a patient and / or their nominated representatives requests to video record their appointment / consultation? Information Governance Policy – Please see attached.

5) Does your Trust allow patients and / or their nominated representatives to make audio recordings of their appointments and / or consultations with a member of staff without informing the member of staff about it (i.e. a covert recording)? No

6) Could you please provide the name(s) of the policy / policies and a copy of the specific section of the policy / policies that is used to inform staff of the policy / policies if they discover a patient and / or their nominated representatives has

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audio recorded their appointment / consultation covertly? N/A

7) Does your Trust allow patients and / or their nominated representatives to make video recordings of their appointments and / or consultations with a member of staff without informing the member of staff about it (i.e. a covert recording)? No

8) Could you please provide the name(s) of the policy / policies and a copy of the specific section of the policy / policies that is used to inform staff of the policy / policies if they discover a patient and / or their nominated representatives has video recorded their appointment / consultation covertly? Section 22 on the Information Governance Policy – please see attached.

9) Should your Trust's policies not allow patients and / or their nominated to make audio and / or video recordings (having informed the member of staff and / or covertly) of their appointments and / or consultations could you please provide a copy of your Trust's policies regarding what procedures should be followed by both members of the Trust's staff and the patient and / or their nominated representatives where there may be a specific need for the patient and / or their appointments and / or consultations (e.g. medical issues such as dementia, the patient having nobody available to act as an advocate for them or any other need identified by the patient and / or their nominated representatives]?

10) Could you please provide a copy of the impact assessment undertaken of the policy / policies cited in response to question 9?  $\rm N/A$ 

11) Should your Trust's policies not allow patients and / or their nominated representatives to make audio and / or video recordings (having informed the member of staff and / or covertly) of their appointments and / or consultations could you please provide a copy of the information that staff can give to the patient and / or their nominated representatives explaining why it is not allowed? N/A

12) Should your Trust's policies state that it is for the staff member to decide whether they are prepared to allow appointments and / or consultations to be audio and / or video recorded by the patient and / or their nominated representatives could you please provide the name(s) of the policy / policies and

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a copy of the specific section of the policy / policies that states what procedures should be followed by both members of the Trust's staff and the patient and / or their nominated representatives when the member of staff states they are not prepared to be audio and / or video recorded but the patient and / or their nominated representatives are insistent on doing so? Section 22 Information Governance Policy - Please see attached.

13) Should your Trust have no policy regarding the situations as detailed in questions 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 or 12 could you please detail what procedures should be followed by both members of the Trust's staff and the patient and / or their nominated representatives should any of the situations detailed occur? I Information Governance Policy available – Please see attached.

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If you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the address above.

Yours sincerely,

Freedom Of Information Co-Ordinator For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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