



## Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 19 November 2021.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

## a) Does your Trust use a digital sepsis alert [1]?

Yes

## b) Please give details on the hospital departments in which the alert is active.

These are active in all inpatient departments including adults, maternity and Paediatrics and the Emergency Department.

- c) Please provide details of the algorithm [2] and/or thresholds [3] in use in the digital sepsis alert.
- Adults the alert fires for a NEWS of 5 or more
- Maternity the alert fires for a MEOWS of 2 or more
- Paediatrics the alert fires for 2 or more triggers (temperature, pulse or respiration) outside the normal range.
- The alert will re-trigger whist the patient continues to score above the thresholds unless specific options are selected on the screening tool which allows a 12–24-hour lock out of the alert.

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

Yours sincerely,

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