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### ***Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000***

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 18 April 2018.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

#### **1. Who is your current and previous pathology logistics contractor (spanning the last 3 years or existing contract- whichever is longer?)**

The Trust do not have any formal contracts but currently use the following logistic companies:-  
DX Network  
South Central Ambulance Service  
TNT

#### **2. What is the current contract(s) end date(s) and are there any provision for extensions?**

As stated above the Trust do not have any contracts in place but will shortly be going out to quotation / tender so that we will have formal contracts. This will be an interim arrangement until a pathology network contract is put into place.

#### **3. Who is the named lead undertaking the NHS Improvements 'Operational Improvement' Activity to move to cluster operations for pathology networks? Please provide their name and salutation, their email address and mobile telephone number please.**

Please note individual staff details are exempt under Section 40, Personal Information (where disclosure may contravene the Data Protection Act) unless permission to release is given or the information is already in the public domain.

#### **4. Who or which body would the procurement of your future contract be made by?**

To be decided.

#### **5. Please provide the name, address, email and telephone number of the person responsible for the commissioning of services and the same for the person responsible for reviewing contract performance.**

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#### **6. Please provide the current Service Speciation's in place across the contract (s).**

As stated above the Trust do not have a formal contract.

**7. How is your current contract operated (in lots or as a whole)? What are the different budgets for these?**

N/A

**8. What is your forecast spend in the following years if known:**

- a. 2018/19 £57k
- b. 2019/20 Not yet known
- c. 2021/22 Not yet known

**9. Please provide KPI and Penalties measure in place across this contract and the most recent performance review of the same.**

N/A.

**10. Please provide the current service specification in place? Please provide this information where possible in an electronic format via email.**

As previously stated, no formal arrangements are in place. However, providers must have the requisite insurances, assurances and licences for the carriage of pathogenic samples, Category A and Category B. Compliance with relevant standards is essential. Sample tracking facilities are essential. Drivers must get a signature from recipient.

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Yours sincerely,

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

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