

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 12 October 2018.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

To be mapped against deaths from MRSA and c. diff in each NHS trust area.

1. What point of care facilities does your trust have for the diagnosis of:

- a. Group A streptococcal bacteria** - Lab test
- b. Influenza virus** - Genexpert
- c. Clostridium difficile** - Lab test
- d. Staphylococcus aureus** - Lab test

2. Does your trust require diagnostic tests before prescribing:

- a. Penicillins**
- b. Aminoglycosides**
- c. Tetracyclines**
- d. Macrolides**
- e. Co-amoxiclav**
- f. Cephalosporins**
- g. Carbapenems**
- h. Quinolones**

Empirical guidelines in place – with microbiological consultant advice available 24 hrs for review/switch/stop.

3. What plans do your trust have to procure new diagnostic equipment using the additional funding for additional diagnostic equipment and staff capacity?

MALDI business case underway + network plans to reduce duplication.

Please note there have been no deaths to date at MKUH due to MRSA and C Difficile.

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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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