

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 19 June 2019.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

1. Does your Trust have a single EPR system currently in use (as of 20/06/2019)?

Yes

- If 'Yes', what system is this, and is there a Pathology module actively in use or does the LIMS have an automated information feed into the EPR? Cerner with a feed from Clinisys Winpath

- If 'No', are there agreed plans to begin implementation of an EPR in your Trust within the next 3 years? N/A

2. What LIMS (Supplier/Vendor, version number) is currently (as of 20/06/2019) in-use across all disciplines managed within Pathology (such as but not limited to Microbiology, Blood Sciences, Cellular Pathology, Mortuary)?

Clinisys Winpath version 5.32 service pack 28

3. When was the hardware for the server of this LIMS last refreshed? 2019

4. When was a disaster recovery exercise of the LIMS/EPR last performed (month/year)? 2019

5. Does your current LIMS have inbuilt business intelligence software tools, such as a SQL reporting? Yes

- If 'Yes', what is this tool and is it made available Trust/network wide or access limited to dedicated Pathology users? Pathmanager need to implement version 5.34 winoath to use it

6. Is your Trust currently part of a Pathology network? Yes South 4 Pathology Partnership

- If 'Yes', what LIMS are currently (as of 20/06/2019) in use within the networked laboratory sites? Has a formal process begun of selecting a single LIMS provider for your network? If this process has reached tender award stage / implementation, which LIMS has been chosen and what year is currently

targeted for the 'go-live' of the system?

– intention is to commence with a joint procurement of a single LIMS . All sites Clinisys apart from Oxford which has various systems. Expected to commence a process 2019/20

- If 'No', has a process begun of selecting a new LIMS provider for your Trust? If this process has reached tender award stage / implementation, which LIMS has been chosen and what year is currently targeted for the 'go-live' of the system? N/A

7. Does your Trust use electronic requesting and reporting in secondary care?

Yes

- If 'Yes', what systems (as of 20/06/2019) is currently in use? Cerner

8. Does your Trust use electronic requesting and reporting in primary/tertiary care?

- If 'Yes', what systems (as of 20/06/2019) is currently in use? ICE

9. Do you currently use nPex or other 3rd party software for exporting results and requests between either network partners or external reference laboratories? Yes

- If 'Yes', could you provide details of which Pathology disciplines use this software, and who their primary reference / network laboratory is for this communication link. Recently commenced , live with Oxford for Blood science disciplines. Expect to go live with Sheffield and Northampton.

10. Does administration of Pathology specific software (such as LIMS, document control, stock databases, middleware) lie within a dedicated Pathology IT team or a Trust-wide IT team? Trust IT which works closely with a Pathology systems manager , integrated team led by Trust IT

11. Does administration of Pathology specific hardware lie (such as shared network storage, report printers, dedicated servers) within a dedicated Pathology IT team or a Trust-wide IT team? As above

12. Does your Pathology department have a formal service level agreement of

equivalent with your Trust/Network IT department with stated roles and responsibilities for IT maintenance and project development? Although we haven't documented the SLA yet we are both very clear on where responsibilities lie , we meet regularly and are a well led team support 24/7

13. If your Pathology department has a dedicated team, how many WTE are assigned to this team? 1 wte line manager in Pathology but works closely with Trust IT team hence not dedicated to Pathology , dedicated to the organisational approach that we take to this essential service.

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Yours sincerely,

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