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Dear ,

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

We are now pleased to respond to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

You asked:

- 1. Are all patients diagnosed with bowel cancer under 50 years of age tested for Lynch Syndrome at diagnosis within your Trust?**
- 2. Is Lynch syndrome testing carried out using MMR immunohistochemistry? If not, which method is being used to test for Lynch syndrome?**
- 3. If testing for Lynch syndrome is not carried out, are you intending to implement the recommendation for Lynch syndrome testing? If so, by when?**

If no, please could you tell us why you will not be implementing the guidelines

At this Trust every patient diagnosed with bowel cancer under age of 50 (and their first degree relatives) are sent to the Genetic Clinic at St Mary's Hospital, Manchester to be seen by the Consultant Geneticist and have all the relevant tests organised there.

The testing is not done by individual hospitals.

If you would like more information, we suggest you contact Central Manchester and Manchester Children's University Hospitals NHS Trust at foi@cmmc.nhs.uk.

I hope you find this information useful, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 256335. If we do not hear from you within 28 days we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

Chairman: Les Higgins
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