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Ref: FOI/2025/10579

Date Received: 6th March 2025

Response Due: 3rd April 2025

Date: 1st April 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 6th March 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

I am writing to make a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I would like to request the following information regarding the use of processed meats containing nitrates or nitrites in meals provided by your Trust.

- 1. Does your organisation procure or serve processed meat (such as bacon, ham, sausages, or other cured meats) that contain nitrates or nitrites as preservatives?**

Yes.

- 2. If so, please provide details of the types of processed meat served and any guidance or policies in place regarding their procurement.**

The Trust purchases products from suppliers vetted by NHS Supply Chain. Please see the attached details of the types of processed meats served.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'T. Gardner', on a light-colored background.

Tabitha Gardner
Chief Finance Officer

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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Helpline number: 0303 123 111