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Response Due: 15th April 2025

Date: 7th April 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 18th 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:

- 1. Please could you provide data into urine samples sent to the lab for suspected urinary tract infections between 1st Jan 2022 and 31st Dec 2024 for children aged 0-12years.**

Please could you provide the data with the following headers:

- **Age**
- **Gender**
- **Organisms grown**
- **Sensitivities**

We are unable to provide this information as the information is not held in a reportable or structured format in our central system and records would have to be reviewed manually which would exceed the appropriate time limit. The Trust has to take into account the cost attributable to the time spent in locating, retrieving, and collating the information. We have therefore applied exemption Section 12 (4) (b) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000-beyond appropriate limit. The appropriate limit is set at £450.00 (18hrs @ £25 per hour).

The data requested would return a large amount of data, considering the age range and the source parameters of Organism and Sensitives, of which multiples may be returned for each case. As you have requested the data to be recorded by each sample/result and not the total count of numbers for each parameter, each case would require a manual review in order to collate the information in the request format. Therefore, the request would surpass the 18 hours deemed appropriate.

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,



Handwritten signature of Kevin Parker-Evans, with the name 'PARKER-EVANS' printed below it.

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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
Wilmslow
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Helpline number: 0303 123 111