

NHS Foundation Trust

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Date Received: 19th March 2025

Response Due: 16th April 2025

Date: 8th April 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 19th March 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold part of the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

We would like to request the following information from Wrightington, Wigan & Leigh NHS FT:

- 1. We have the following formularies listed as used by the organisation:
 - Greater Manchester Adult Red Amber Green List
 - Greater Manchester Joint Formulary for Adults
 - Greater Manchester Paediatric Red Amber Green List

Please confirm if this is correct and if not, please provide any relevant online links or copies of formularies.

Yes, the above is correct.

- 2. We understand the following committees maintain the formularies in question 1:
 - Greater Manchester Medicines Management Group

Please confirm if this is correct. If not correct, please list the relevant committees with the corresponding formulary.

The Trust is unable to answer on behalf of the GMMMG. Therefore, the Trust does not hold this information.

3. Does the organisation have representation on the committees listed in question 2? Yes, the GMMMG committees that feed into the formulary have representatives from several secondary care providers, of which Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust are one.

- 4. Are any of the above formularies listed in question 1 dominant when making prescribing decisions or does this depend on therapy area? Please say which is the dominant formulary of the organisation.
 - When making prescribing decisions, relevant national guidance from NICE and other organisations is considered, as well as the information in the joint formulary and RAG lists.
 - When considering if a medication can be prescribed, the formulary is consulted.
 - When considering where it should be supplied from, the RAG list is considered. The RAG list used
 would depend on whether treatment is being considered for an adult or a child.
- 5. If you use a PDF formulary, have you considered moving it to an online platform like Netformulary, and if yes, when are you planning to do so?

The Trust does not use a PDF formulary.

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,

Gary Masterman

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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 Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 111