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Response Due: 26th August 2025

Date: 22nd August 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 28th July 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:

Please note: As 3 separate FOI request were submitted on 28/07/2025, these have been aggregated into one single FOI response. Therefore, this response answers FOI 10955, 10956 and 10957.

FOI 10955 - Core Clinical Software

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I am writing to request information on the clinical software solutions currently in use across your organisation

Please answer Yes/No to each question and, where applicable, give the full product name (and supplier, if different).

If multiple systems are in use, please list all.

1. Core Clinical Software:

- a. **Do you use any triage software? If so, which one?**
No.
- b. **Do you use any ECG interpretation software? If so, which one?**
No.
- c. **Do you use any remote monitoring solutions? If so, which one?**
Yes, Doccla on our Virtual Ward.

d. Do you use any virtual ward solutions? If so, which one?

Yes, Doccla.

e. Do you use any clinical decision support systems (CDSS)? If so, which one?

No.

2. Disease Specific Software:

a. For each of the conditions below, do you use dedicated software or modules to support clinical management?

i. Hypertension

No.

ii. Coronary heart disease/Ischaemic heart disease

No.

iii. Heart failure

No.

iv. Electrophysiology / Arrhythmia

No.

v. Valvular heart disease

No.

FOI 10956 - Digital Health Software and Platforms

Software Use Across the Care Pathway in the Cardiology department:

1. Please indicate if your cardiology department uses digital health software or platforms in the following areas:

a. Preventative solutions (e.g. digital tools supporting diet management, exercise, smoking cessation, and salt intake reduction)

No.

b. Predictive Analytics (e.g. risk stratification tools such as QRISK, genetic screening applications)

Yes, Q-Risk in the Rapid Access Chest Pain Clinic.

c. Proactive Monitoring (e.g. wearable devices, remote blood pressure/heart rate monitoring platforms)

No.

d. Diagnostics (e.g. ECG analysis, echocardiogram interpretation software, blood biomarker decision-support tools)

No.

e. Non-clinical Care (e.g. lifestyle intervention apps, digital psychology support tools, patient education platforms)

No.

f. First Line Treatment (e.g. decision-support software for prescribing statins, antihypertensives, or antiplatelets)

No.

- g. **Clinical Care & Treatment (e.g. technology-enabled software supporting procedures such as PCI, CABG, valve surgery, ICD or pacemaker insertion, excluding hardware-only suppliers)**

No.

- h. **Long-term Management & Follow-up (e.g. digital tools for scheduling follow-ups, medication adherence tracking, chronic disease management applications)**

No.

2. **Are there any cardiology-related software solutions currently in a pilot or evaluation phase within your organisation? If yes, please specify the software name and the setting of the pilot/evaluation.**

No.

FOI 10957 - Lipid-related Blood Tests

I would like to request data on lipid testing carried out by your laboratory for the fiscal years (1st April to 31st March) 2022, 2023 and 2024. Specifically, I am seeking the annual number of lipid-related blood tests processed, broken down by referral source and test type.

Please provide the total number of lipid-related blood tests originating from each of the following referral sources:

- **Hospitals (inpatient and outpatient)**
- **General Practice (GP)**
- **Community services (including home sampling kits and other community-based services)**

Please see the attached.

For each referral source, please also provide a breakdown of the total number of lipid-related blood tests by the following test types:

I understand that a lipid profile typically includes measurements of total cholesterol, HDL, and LDL. However, if some of these tests are requested individually rather than as part of a full panel, please report each type separately.

- **Lipid profile (full panel)**
- **Total cholesterol (individual test)**
- **HDL cholesterol (individual test)**
- **LDL cholesterol (individual test)**

Please see the attached.

Please note: this service is provided by Wigan and Salford Pathology (PAWS) at Northern Care Alliance, therefore the information has been provided with assistance from NCA.

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 in black ink, 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, Wroughtington, 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