

NHS Foundation Trust

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Date Received: 30th July 2025

Response Due: 3rd September 2025

Date: 28th August 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 30th July 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do not 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 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information:

A list of all technology-related contracts currently held by the Trust with companies headquartered in the United States, where the contract value exceeds £25,000 per annum.

For each relevant contract, please provide:

- Name of the company
- Description of the product or service.

Clarification requested: Please can you clarify what you are defining as "technology-related contracts"?

Response received: Anything that is under CPV codes: 48000000-9 Software package and information systems, 48180000-0 Medical software package, 72000000-8 IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support, and 72260000-0 Software-related services

The Trust does not hold information easily accessible data, as to where any of its supplier's company's headquarters are based, each IT contract would need to be manually reviewed, and individual suppliers would need to be contacted regarding the location of their HQ.

Therefore, the Trust is 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).

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,

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 Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 111