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Response Due: 25th April 2024

Date: 25th April 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 26th March 2024, 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.** Which, if any, 'sample tracking system' is used in your histology (histopathology) service. The Trust does not own a pathology service.
- 2. If applicable, the cost of the respective sample tracking systems used. $\ensuremath{\text{N/A}}$
- The total number of reported lost histology (histopathology) specimens, from within pathology dating from 2020-present date. N/A
- 4. The average time spent searching for further work requested blocks. $N\!/\!A$

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,

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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