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Date: 5th July 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

Under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide me with full answers to each of the following questions:

1. Does your trust have a general policy on the care of transgender patients or guidelines for supporting trans staff and patients? If so, please supply a copy.

Please see attached policies (Supporting Transgender Staff Procedure, Support Trans Patients, and the accompanying Gender Identity & Intersex Useful Terminology). These documents will soon be replaced by our Gender ID Toolkit which has been reviewed and scored highly by the NHS Rainbow Badge Assessment Scheme.

2. Does your trust have a specific policy on maternity/pregnancy for trans and non-binary patients? If so, please supply a copy.

No.

3. Does your trust record patients' biological sex, self-described gender identity or both?

The Trust does not currently record this data routinely.

4. Does your trust follow Annex B of NHS same-sex accommodation guidance, which states that a trans patient can be placed in an opposite sex ward?

Details of same sex accommodation can be found in the Supporting Trans Patients Policy attached, section 5.4 which aligns with Annex B of NHS Same-Sex accommodation guidance.

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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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.

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The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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