

**Information Governance**

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Our ref: 18190033

Dear

Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act

Thank you for your email of 18<sup>th</sup> April, making a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested the following information and the Trust is able to provide the information below in response:

**Request**

1. Who is your current and previous pathology logistics contractor (spanning the last 3 years or existing contract- whichever is longer?
2. What is the current contract(s) end date(s) and are there any provision for extensions?
3. Who is the named lead undertaking the NHS Improvements 'Operational Improvement' Activity to move to cluster operations for pathology networks? Please provide their name and salutation, their email address and mobile telephone number please.
4. Who or which body would the procurement of your future contract be made by?
5. Please provide the name, address, email and telephone number of the person responsible for the commissioning of services and the same for the person responsible for reviewing contract performance.
6. Please provide the current Service Speciation's in place across the contract (s).
7. How is your current contract operated (in lots or as a whole)? What are the different budgets for these?
8. What is your forecast spend in the following years if known:
  - a. 2018/19

b. 2019/20

c. 2021/22

9. Please provide KPI and Penalties measure in place across this contract and the most recent performance review of the same.

10. Please provide the current service specification in place?

Response

1. South Central Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust
2. 8th May 2021 and yes, there is provision for extension.
3. Not known
4. Internal Procurement staff.
5. Rebecca Hunt, Senior Contract Manager, Estates and facilities, Littlemore Mental Health Centre, Oxford OX4 4XN, Rebecca.hunt@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk 01865 901000
6. Section 43 applied
7. Pathology specimens are included in the overall logistics contract. There is no separate budget for the transport of pathology specimens.
8. Not known
9. KPIs are shown in section 7 of the attached specification.
10. Section 43 applied.

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 me and I will ensure the decision is reviewed. The Trust will consider undertaking a review if requested to do so within 40 working days of the date the response is received by the applicant, and will apply discretion if a longer period of time has passed.

Should you wish to make a complaint as a result of the outcome of such a review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision.

Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust for FoI Act matters.

The ICO can be contacted at:

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

Please contact me if there are any further queries.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mark Underwood

Head of Information Governance