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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 20th December 2022 in relation to County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (the Trust). Your request has been processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and I am now able to provide you with a response.

Your request was in relation to Pathology Network self-assessment tool and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

I would like a copy of the pathology network maturity self-assessment tool compiled for “North Cumbria Pathology Network (North 1)” and sent to NHS England in 2022. This was a standardised matrix built by NHSE and sent out to all pathology networks to fill in and send back.

I would like your completed document, with the information you sent to NHS England.

The network self-assessment matrix was compiled as a regional document by the ICS Pathology Lead, therefore the Trust do not hold this information. NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB) should be the first point of contact for this information. If you wish to contact the ICB, we would advise, in accordance with Section 16 of the Act (duty to provide advice and assistance), that you contact the organisation via the following address:

Information Governance Team
North of England Commissioning Support
John Snow House
Durham University Science Park

Durham
DH1 3YG

Email: necsu.ICBfoi@nhs.net

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log on the Trust's website. However please be assured that we anonymise all responses prior to adding them to the disclosure log.

I hope that this response has provided you with the information you had requested. If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or in writing. If however, you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been handled and would like an internal review, you will need to contact me in writing at the above address or via cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.

If you remain dissatisfied with our response following an internal review you have the right to appeal to The Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. More information is available on their website; www.ico.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

Corporate Records and Freedom of Information Facilitator