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Email only

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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 2nd May 2023 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 CACNA1C and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

**How many individuals were identified to have a CACNA1C gene change as a result of genetic testing during the year 2022 and during the year 2021?
When a genetic change is found it is categorised according to the ACGS Guidelines (Association for Clinical Genomic Science). Ideally your response to how many individuals identified would indicate the classification of the findings with regard to number of individuals ie. Pathogenic, Likely pathogenic, Variant of Uncertain Significance, Likely benign and Benign.**

The Trust does not provide this service. The service is provided by Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. If you wish to contact them in accordance with Section 16 of the Act (duty to provide advice and assistance) you can do so via the following address:

The Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust:
Freeman Road
Newcastle Upon Tyne
NE7 7DW

Link to FOI submission page: <https://www.newcastle-hospitals.nhs.uk/help/foi/>

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