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## **Re: Your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**

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- 1) Does your Trust have a process in place for patients who are unable to fit in, or use, an MRI machine but who may need a MRI scan? If so, what is this process?

**The DRI scanner - Siemens Aera is a large bore scanner. Any patient too large for the Bassetlaw Scanner is offered an appointment at DRI.**

**In the extremely unlikely event that a patient is unable to be scanned at Doncaster (there are no known cases since installation in 2011), the referring clinician is informed who will make the decision whether to refer elsewhere. Historically patients were referred to Burton Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust**

- 2) Does your Trust send patients who may need an MRI scan who meet the criteria of being unable to use your Trusts' scanners above, to other locations, for example, zoos or research facilities?

**No**

- 3) Does your Trust pay other facilities such as zoos or research facilities for the use of their MRI machines? If so, how much did you Trust pay these facilities last financial year (2019-20)?

**N/A**

- 4) If applicable, how many patients have needed an MRI in facilities provided in places other than your Trust last year? Please provide the location and reason for this.

**N/A**