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## **Freedom of Information Act Request**

Excel spreadsheet with information for Q 6-21 broken down by each pathology provider in your trust

1. What is the size of your trust's serviceable population?

Serving a population of more than 440,000

2. How many patients has the trust tested for the following clinical biochemical markers in the last 12 months?

a. C-reactive protein (CRP)
b. High-sensitivity C-reactive protein (hs-CRP)
c. Lipoprotein-a (Lp(a))
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3. Is there a limit to the frequency of the following tests per patient?

a. C-reactive protein (CRP)

b. High-sensitivity C-reactive protein (hs-CRP) N/A

c. Lipoprotein-a (Lp(a))

Only available to limited consultants.

- 4. Please provide the name and post code of all the pathology providers in your trust Pathology, Doncaster & Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, Thorne Road, Doncaster, DN2 5LT
- 5. Do you outsource any testing to commercial labs? If yes, please provide the names of each commercial provider

Assuming only relevant to 3 tests listed. Lipoprotein-a (Lp(a) – sent to other NHS laboratory – not a 'commercial lab'

Please answer the following questions for each pathology provider in your trust

6. Does the laboratory currently offer testing for the following?

a. C-reactive protein (CRP) Yes

b. High-sensitivity C-reactive protein (hs-CRP) No

c. Lipoprotein-a (Lp(a)) Yes as a referred test

7. What is the average turnaround time for an outpatient from blood sample collection to sharing of results for CRP and hs-CRP?

We offer TAT of 4 hours for out-patient work taken in hospital. 24 hours if bloods requested but take at a GP surgery.

Average achieved TAT is 4.2 hours

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- 8. Is CRP offered as a standalone test or part of a panel? Standalone but is part of some A&E panels.
- 9. Is hs-CRP offered as a standalone test or part of a panel? N/A
- 10. What machines are used to conduct CRP testing in your laboratory? Abbott Alinity
- 11. What machines are used to conduct hs-CRP testing in your laboratory? N/A
- 12. What is the lowest limit of detection (in mg/L) that you report for CRP? 1 mg/L
- 13. What is the lowest limit of detection (in mg/L) that you report for hs-CRP? N/A
- 14. How many requests for measurement of CRP did your laboratory complete in the last 12 months?
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- 15. How many requests for measurement of hs-CRP did your laboratory complete in the last 12 months? N/A
- 16. What is the maximum number of CRP tests that your laboratory can conduct in one month? Unable to state on mainline analysers no capacity issues
- 17. What is the maximum number of hs-CRP tests that laboratory can conduct in one month? N/A
- 18. What is the cost of running a single CRP test in your laboratory? *Please provide a breakdown of cost of running the test and all-in cost considering operations, FTEs etc.*Part of Managed service Contract unable to breakdown
- 19. What is the cost of running a single hs-CRP test in your laboratory? *Please provide a breakdown of cost of running the test and all-in cost considering operations, FTEs etc. N/A*
- 20. How much are you reimbursed for a single CRP test in your laboratory? £2.08 for NHS patients but this is about to increase.
- 21. How much are you reimbursed for a single hs-CRP test in your laboratory? N/A