

Freedom of Information Act Request

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information:

Please provide the following information:

1. Access to Testing Clinical Information Systems

- What is the approval process by which an external organisation may apply or request to connect with the trust's **test clinical systems of record**. (e.g. EMR, EHR, PACS) - **Access to test clinical systems would only be provided to external organisations providing support for the system, this would be requested by the information asset owner or clinical systems team responsible for the system.**
- Which internal teams, roles, or committees are responsible for approving such a connection? **Digital Clinical Systems Management team & Information Governance.**
- What steps are involved in obtaining the necessary permissions or agreements to establish such a connection? **Access request from the Clinical systems management team.**
- What is the entry point for this process? e.g. email address or webform. **Requirement would be identified by the system manager or as part of specific planned work.**

2. Access to Production Clinical Information Systems

- What is the approval process by which an external organisation may apply or request to connect with the trust's **production clinical systems of record**. (e.g. EMR, EHR, PACS) - **An agreement is entered into between the DBTH IG team and the IG team at the requesting external organisation in order to allow them to request access to our systems for their users.**
- Which internal teams, roles, or committees are responsible for approving such a connection? **Information Governance and Clinical Systems Team**
- What steps are involved in obtaining the necessary permissions or agreements to establish such a connection? **External IG team or equivalent responsible individual requests access and the request is reviewed by the Clinical Systems Team.**
- What is the entry point for this process? e.g. email address or webform. **Webform**

At this point we're not asking for information regarding the technical specifics of the trust's internal systems. We are only requesting information on the trust's approval and decision making processes.

If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Requests for an internal review should be submitted within 40 working days from the date of this response, and should be addressed to d.wraith@nhs.net.

If you remain dissatisfied after the internal review, you have the right to appeal to the

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