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Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Under the FOI Act I would like to request: whether they have issued warnings about use of AI companions (internally, or externally to your local population).

Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust has not issued any specific warnings relating to the use of AI companions, either internally to staff or externally to the local population.

However, the Trust has an overarching governance framework in place through its Artificial Intelligence (AI) Policy (CORP/ICT 32). This policy sets out the Trust's approach to the appropriate, safe, and ethical use of artificial intelligence technologies and provides guidance for staff on the consideration and use of AI within Trust services.

- [CORP/ICT 32](#) – Artificial Intelligence (AI) Policy

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 Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
Tel: 0303 123 1113
Website: <https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/>

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