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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 210407.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

In January 2019, the Government announced its new **NHS Long Term Plan**, and part of that plan requires all secondary healthcare providers to transition to digital records by 2023. We are now two years into the plan, and we would like to establish where your Trust is within the process. We would be grateful if you could respond to the questions below.

1. Have you already started digital conversion of your paper medical records?

YES

If YES, which outsource provider do you use?

Not outsourced

1. a) Do you undertake any scanning in-house?

YES

2. If you have not yet started to digitise your medical records do you have a timescale for when you would like to start this project? Please advise one of the following.

N/A

- Within 6 months
- Within 12 months
- Within 18 months
- Within 24 months
- Other (please state estimated timescale)
- No plans

3. If you are planning a digital transformation project, how will you manage the procurement?

N/A

- OJEU
- Framework
- Other (please advise which)

3. a) If the answer is Framework, which framework will you use? Please advise one of the following.

- LPP
- ESPO
- SBS
- H.T.E.
- NOE CPC
- Other (please advise which)

4. Who has responsibility for digital transformation/medical records digitisation within the Trust? Please provide:

- Name
- Job title
- Contact details

Withholding Personal information please use

ITMarketing@secamb.nhs.uk

5. Does the Trust have an EDMS (Electronic Document Management System)?

YES

If YES:

- Which system is in use?
Microsoft SharePoint
- When does the contract expire?
28th February 2022

If NO, does the Trust have a plan to procure an EDMS?

N/A

6. What are the timescales to procure an EDMS? Please advise one of the following.

N/A

- **Within 6 months**
- **Within 12 months**
- **Within 18 months**
- **Within 24 months**
- **Other (please state estimated timescale)**
- **No plans**

7. Which EPR (Electronic Patient Record) systems does the Trust use?

Electronic Patient Clinical Record (EPCR) provided by Cleric Systems Ltd

8. Does the Trust have the ability to deliver “Virtual Clinics”? YES/NO

N/A ambulance service

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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