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Email:

Dear

Thank you for your request for information, which we received on **03/07/2026**.
We have considered your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.
Please ensure you quote the Internal Reference number above in any future correspondence.

Your Request and our Formal Response

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the following information relating to Medical Gas Pipeline Systems (MGPS) at your Trust, as defined under HTM 02-01.

1 - Authorised Person (MGPS)

For the person currently designated as Authorised Person (MGPS) at your Trust, please provide:

- (a) the post title (not the named individual);
- (b) the employing organisation of that role, for example: directly employed Trust staff; hard FM or PFI provider; specialist contractor; external agency; other (please specify);
- (c) where the role is outsourced, the name of the provider organisation;
- (d) where a Senior or Coordinating Authorised Person (MGPS) is also appointed, the same details (a to c) for that role.



This question is not applicable to the Trust.

2 - MGPS maintenance contract

For the current contract(s) under which routine maintenance, servicing, and testing of MGPS infrastructure is delivered at your Trust, please provide:

- (a) the name of the contracted provider;
- (b) the contract start date;
- (c) the contract end date, including any extension options;
- (d) where MGPS maintenance is delivered in-house, please confirm this in place of (a) to (c).

This question is not applicable to the Trust.

3 - Approval of MGPS pipework specifications

For the person responsible for approving or signing off MGPS pipework specifications on capital projects involving medical gas infrastructure, please provide:

- (a) the post title of the approving role;
- (b) confirmation of whether the approving role differs by project value or project type, and if so, how.

For reference, capital projects in scope may include (but are not limited to): new build, refurbishment, or extension works; New Hospital Programme schemes; and Neighbourhood Health Centres or community diagnostic facilities.

This question is not applicable to the Trust.

4 - Medical Gas Safety Group: terms of reference

Please provide the current terms of reference for your Trust's Medical Gas Safety Group (or equivalent committee responsible for the oversight of medical gas systems).

Please find this attached to the response.

5 - Medical gas policy





Please provide your Trust's current medical gas policy (or equivalent policy document setting out the governance, authorisation, and operational management of medical gas systems).

The Trust does not have a standalone Medical Gas Policy. The equivalent document held is the Compressed Medical Gas Safety Standard Operating Procedure. This document is due to be updated, but it remains the current document held by the Trust at this time.

6 - Medical Gas Safety Group minutes

Please provide the minutes of your Medical Gas Safety Group (or equivalent committee) for the most recent twelve months.

Please find this attached to the response.

Next steps

Some information held by the Trust is routinely published on our [website](#) and may be of assistance.

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review.

Requests for an internal review should be submitted within **40 working days** of the date of this response and should be sent to:

Richard Banks, Head of Corporate Governance at FOI@secamb.nhs.uk

The internal review will be conducted by an individual who was not directly involved in handling your original request, ordinarily the Trust's Data Protection Officer. We aim to complete internal reviews within **20 working days** of receipt.

If you remain dissatisfied following the outcome of the internal review, you may complain to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). The ICO generally expects complaints to be raised promptly following the completion of an internal review.

The easiest way to raise a complaint is via the ICO's website:

www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints

Alternatively, you may write to:
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane



Wilmslow
SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely,

Corporate Governance Team

South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust

