

FOI 3025

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

Please provide a list of the suppliers who provide AI services to the trust for clinical use cases

Please provide a list of the suppliers who provide AI services to the trust for clerical/administrative use cases

Does the trust utilise any AI and/or technology to facilitate patient appointment booking for the trust? If yes please provide details.

Who is accountable in the Trust for outpatient appointments?

Response:

Please see response attached.

AI Spend/Adoption

Freedom Of Information Request	Supplier Name	Annual Spend	Use case/ what does the technology do for the trust
Please provide a list of the suppliers who provide AI services to the trust for <u>clinical</u> use cases	In accordance with Section 31 (1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Law enforcement – the prevention or detection of crime, such information is exempt from disclosure.	£12, 495 (rising to £18, 540 in 2027)	Enables clinicians to make faster, more accurate triage or transfer decisions for Patients that have suffered a stroke. The use of AI is recommended in NICE DG 57. It can offer an opportunity to have thrombolysis outside of the normal 4.5hr window, therefore reducing potential disability and death. Additionally it can reduce the needless transfer of a Patient to the regional thrombectomy centre.
Please provide a list of the suppliers who provide AI services to the trust for <u>clerical/administrative</u> use cases			There are no AI services used by the clerical / administrative teams
Does the trust utilise any AI and/or technology to facilitate patient appointment booking for the trust? If yes please provide details.			
Who is accountable in the Trust for outpatient appointments?			There is not one singular person that is responsible for out-patients within the Trust.

Although the Southern Trust understands that there is a public interest in being open and transparent, the information including manufacturer, models and replacement timeframes is business sensitive and has the potential to leave the Trust vulnerable to cyber-attacks. By disclosing these details, this information could prejudice and compromise the Trust's network/IT security.

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We believe that putting this information into the public domain would make the Trust more vulnerable to cyber-attacks. The public interest in maintaining the security of our systems and providing safe health and social care to our patients/clients outweighs the public interest in disclosure of this information.

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