



Our ref: FOI 1933

17<sup>th</sup> October 2023

## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST**

### **Question:-**

**In relation to an iron infusion in April 2021.**

- 1. The Trust's iron infusion policy in place at the time of the index event.**
- 2. The Trust's infiltration/extravasation policy in place at the time of the index event.**

### **Response:-**

Please see attached documents.

### **3. Evidence of competence such as training certificate and competency assessment from the nurse who induced the cannula.**

We have considered your request and believe this information is exempt from disclosure under section 40 of Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The Trust cannot provide this information as this level of detail could lead to the identification of individuals and is considered exempt under section 40(2) of the Act which exempts personal information from disclosure if that information relates to someone other than the applicant, and if disclosure of the information would, among other things, contravene one of the data protection principles in schedule 1 of the Data Protection Act. In this case, it is our belief that disclosure would contravene the first data protection principle, which provides that personal data must be processed fairly and lawfully.

Section 40(2) is an absolute exemption and therefore the Trust is not obliged to consider whether the public interest favours disclosing the information.

If you are dissatisfied with this response you may contact us using one of the below contact methods outlined in the footnote and quote the above reference number. Alternatively, you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the

response. Thereafter, should you not be satisfied with the outcome you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner who can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

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