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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Lord Carters Pathology Report.

Following on from Lord Carters Pathology Report and in turn Efficiency report, please can you provide information on the following questions?

1. *Does your pathology service currently meet the 1.6% cost of service to Trust operating expenditure target as set out by the 2016 report?*
2. *Do you currently have a managed service arrangement within Pathology (entire disciplines or pan pathology, not individual analysers)?*
3. *If yes, please can you provide the Suppliers name, expiry date, and average annual cost?*
4. *Are you planning on collaborating with another NHS entity to provide pathology services?*

1) This figure has not yet been calculated

2) Yes

3) Roche expires May 2017 with option to extend for further 3 years. The Trust is currently undergoing a tendering process and therefore the information requested is exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 Section 43 as its disclosure would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it).

4) Yes