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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 cardiology digital systems.

*You asked:*

*1) Regarding echocardiograms:*

- a) Which digital system is used by healthcare professionals in your trust to request echocardiograms?*
- b) On what digital system(s) are echocardiogram images stored?*
- c) On what system are echocardiograms reported?*
- d) On what system(s) are the reports for echocardiograms available for review?*

*2) Regarding coronary angiograms:*

- a) Which digital system is used by healthcare professionals in your trust to request coronary angiograms?*
- b) On what digital system(s) are images from coronary angiograms stored?*
- c) On what system are coronary angiograms reported?*
- d) On what system(s) are the reports from coronary angiograms available for review?*

*3) Regarding cardiac pacemakers:*

- a) Which digital system is used by healthcare professionals in your trust to request pacemaker insertion?*
- b) On what system are pacemaker procedure reports written?*
- c) On what system(s) are pacemaker procedure reports available for review?*
- d) On what system(s) are cardiac pacemaker routine outpatient checks available for review?*

*4) Regarding cardiology patient documentation:*

- a) On what system(s) are outpatient letters available for review?*

- b) *On what system(s) are discharge letters available for review?*
- c) *Are copies of ECGs stored electronically? If so, on what system(s) are they available?*

5) *Regarding CT coronary angiograms:*

- a) *Which digital system is used by healthcare professionals in your trust to request CT coronary angiograms?*
- b) *On what digital system(s) are images from CT coronary angiograms stored?*
- c) *On what system are CT coronary angiograms reported?*
- d) *On what system(s) are the reports from CT coronary angiograms available for review?*

6) *What RIS system does your hospital use?*

7) *What PACS system does your hospital use?*

Trust response:

1)

- a) To request echocardiograms in hospital Allscripts is used, GP's request via cardiology email address
- b) Images are stored on Medcon
- c) Scans are reported on Tomcat
- d) Echo images can be reviewed on Medcon and the reports on TOMCAT

2)

- a) Clinic Letter Allscripts / Tomcat
- b) Medcon
- c) TOMCAT
- d) TOMCAT

3)

- a) Clinics letters via Allscripts
- b) TOMCAT and Medcon for images
- c) TOMCAT
- d) TOMCAT

4)

- a) Allscripts and TOMCAT
- b) EDN
- c) Not currently stored electronically – copies only stored in files.

5)

- a) It is currently requested through ALLSCRIPT.
- b) We are using GE Picture Archiving and Communication System.
- c) RIS system.
- d) Both RIS and PACS system.

6) GE Centricity RIS 5.6.11

7) Centricity PACS 6.0