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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 PPE for clinical staff.

You asked:

- 1. Can you confirm or deny whether, between March 1 2020 and September 30, 2020, the trust issued written communications to clinical staff stating or suggesting that their use of PPE was excessive (in terms of volume or specification of the equipment)?
- 2. Can you confirm or deny whether, between March 1 2020 and September 2020 the trust disciplined or warned, formally or informally staff for wearing PPE of a higher grade than you felt they required for their clinical work?
- 3. Can you confirm or deny whether, between March 1 2020 and September 2020 the trust has disciplined or warned any staff for commenting on social media or in mainstream media regarding PPE shortages or quality or use?
- 4. Can you confirm or deny whether between May 1 2020 and November 30 2020 you have been subject to any investigation from the Health and Safety Executive regarding the provision of PPE for staff or hospital acquired Covid-19 infections in staff or patients?

Trust response:

- 1. No
- 2. No
- 3. No instances recorded
- 4. No