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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 data sharing agreements.

You asked:

- 1. Please can you confirm whether any data sharing agreements for research purposes are currently in place between the NHS Trust and any external third parties (e.g. universities, or any also relating to any other individuals or institutions with whom a data sharing agreement has been created).*
- 2. Please provide detail of the dataset(s) being shared, including:*
 - a. Details of the data sharing agreement covers and, if possible, who the third-party with whom the dataset is being shared with is;*
 - b. The type of data contained in the dataset;*
 - c. The size of the dataset;*
 - d. The time period covered by the dataset (e.g. is it historic or current);*
- 3. Please can you also provide copies of any such data sharing agreements.*

Trust response:

1. Yes.
2. The Trust believes that as these records must be kept for 30 years the searching and redacting of this information will exceed the 18-hour timeframe and that the information held within these agreements is commercially sensitive. The Trust has decided that this information is exempt under both Section 43 and Section 12 of the Act.
3. The Trust has provided a blank NHS standard template for your information. Further details will not be released.



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