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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 Electronic Health Records (EHR).

You asked:

Regarding Electronic Health Records (EHR):

- 1a) What primary EHR system does your Trust use, if any?*
- 1b) Are electronic inpatient notes implemented in all sites within your Trust? If no, please state which sites do not have electronic notes.*
- 1c) Is electronic recording of patient vital signs (i.e. including but not limited to blood pressure, oxygen saturations, etc) implemented in all sites within your Trust? If no, please state which sites do not have electronic observation recording.*
- 1d) Are electronic drug charts and prescribing implemented in all sites within your Trust? If no, please state which sites do not have electronic prescribing.*

Regarding EHR commissioning:

- 2a) Have you received any direction from a Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) or Integrated Care System (ICS) regarding provision of past, present or future EHR systems?*
- 2b) Have you ever undertaken any formal negotiations with other hospital Trusts about jointly procuring an EHR system, and if so, have negotiations resulted in joint procurement of an EHR system?*

Regarding EHR interoperability:

- 3a) Assuming your Trust contains multiple hospital sites, are your EHR users able to directly access inpatient electronic notes from different hospital sites within your Trust?*
- 3b) Aside from NHS spine summary care records (SCR), are your EHR users able to directly access patient records held by local primary care EHRs (e.g. by using an EHR web portal, or healthcare information exchange etc)? If yes, please specify the name of the system that enables this.*

3c) Aside from NHS spine summary care records (SCR), are your EHR users able to directly access patient records held on a separate hospital Trust's EHR? If yes, please specify which Trust's EHR where this interoperability is enabled.

Trust response:

Regarding Electronic Health Records (EHR):

1a) Allscripts Sunrise Clinical Manager

1b) Both our two main acute hospital sites have EHR implemented – however none of our off- site clinics are currently included – plan to roll out next year

1c) Both our two main acute hospital sites have observations recorded within the EHR implemented – none of the off-site clinics are currently included in scope

1d) Both our two main acute hospital sites are due to go live with EPMA in April / May 2022. All other sites are out of scope

Regarding EHR commissioning:

2a) They have an aspiration that eventually that all acute within the region will be on the same EHR

2b) Yes, we were involved in the tendering process for a Kent wide EHR led by the CCG's known as Kent Medway Care Record provided by Graphnet - went live last year in April 21.

Regarding EHR interoperability:

3a) Yes from the 2 main sites and also from home if on the correct VPN. But not from other offsite clinic areas as yet

3b) No

3c) No