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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 Pathology LIMS Solution.

You asked: All questions are shown as received by the Trust.

Q1. What Hospitals within your Trust run their own Pathology Labs or Departments?

Q2. Who is the Laboratory Pathology IT Lead for these labs?

Q3. At these labs what LIS / LIMS Solution are used to manage the day-to-day service.

Q4. When is the labs respective LIS / LIMS contract due for renewal?

Q5. Are the Trust / network planning to replace the LIS / LIMS at any point in any of your hospitals in the near future? Are there any plans to move to a Pathology Network wide LIS / LIMS for instance (and if so – can you state at this time which Solution)?

Q6. Do your Labs work with or have ties to other organisations that mean they work as a part of another Pathology collaborative (and will this impact how your labs your work within the Regional Pathology Network that they have been assigned to)?

Q7. What Middleware solutions do your Labs use if any?

Q8. How many tests per year do your Labs do?

Trust response:

Q1. All

Q2. Maidstone & Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust receives a number of requests for details relating to the professional lives of our staff from private individuals and organisations, some of whom are involved in recruitment and marketing. On very rare occasions it might be considered in the public interest to disclose some information but in such cases the views of the individual staff concerned is always sought.

Information relating to staff that is not currently publicly available on our website will not be released under Freedom of Information Act 2000 Section 40(2) (personal information) as it relates to the personal information of employees. The Trust follows guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office on the disclosure of personal data including direct contact details.

The Trust Executive structure chart is available on the Trust website www.mtw.nhs.uk and details of our Clinically Led Organisation can be found on the trust website using the following link: <https://www.mtw.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Our-clinically-led-structure.pdf>

Alternatively, from our website home page, click the About Us Tab, then the Clinically-led Organisation tab where you will find all the information.

Q3. Currently Telepath, Dedalus AIX V7.2.

Q4. On-going until August 2024.

Q5. Winpath Enterprise

Q6. Yes, South 8 Network

Q7. Various including Roche Infinity, Myla, Sysmex etc

Q8. 11,545,791 (2022/23 data)