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Our Ref: FOI/04027

Thank you for your request concerning IT Network.

Your request has been considered and processed in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

1. **Have all devices, including medical devices, on the Trust's network been identified?**

Yes

2. **Does the Trust have a real-time Risk Register of all assets connected to its network?**

No

3. **Does the Trust identify and monitor all medical devices being used for remote patient management?**

Yes

4. **Does the Trust comply with the following assessments or security standards:**

Data Security and Protection Toolkit (DSPT)

Cyber Essentials

Cyber Essentials Plus

ISO27001

The EU Security of Network & Information Systems (NIS) Directive

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5. **Have you had any data compromises due to previously unknown connected medical devices in the last 5 years? If so, how many?**

6. **What percentage of your medical device estate is currently running on unsupported/end-of-life software?**

7. **Approximately what percentage of your medical device estate is segregated from the main network?**

The information you are requesting in question 4, 5, 6 and 7 are relating to data security and if answered could be used to compromise the organisation. It would make the organisation vulnerable to a crime such as hacking and this could lead to a theft of information or a denial of service to IT systems therefore we have applied S31(1)(a) – Law Enforcement (1) Information is exempt if its disclosure under this Act would or would be likely to prejudice (a) the prevention or detection of crime.

S31 is subject to a test of prejudice. Please see below for our considered reasons for and against disclosure:

Reason in favour of disclosure

We acknowledge the public interest in openness and transparency and recognise that releasing this information would provide the public with assurance that we are protecting their information and our technologies.

Reason against disclosure

Disclosure of the data compromises of medical devices would make the Trust vulnerable to cyber-crime as it could be used as a starting point to attack network infrastructure and/or information systems.

We have reached the view that on balance, the public interest is better serviced by withholding this information under the section 31(1) exemption.

8. Does the Trust Board recognise the importance of IT device asset management and cyber security and allocate sufficient budgetary support?

Yes

Should you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please find enclosed an information sheet regarding copyright protection and the Trust's complaints procedure in the event that you are not satisfied with the response.

Yours sincerely

Sue Smith

Sue Smith
Information Rights Officer

Enc: Copyright Protection and Complaints Procedure Information Leaflet.

If you would like to complete a short survey in relation to your Freedom of Information request please scan the QR code below or click [here](#).

