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Email: foi@homerton.nhs.uk

Dear Sir or Madam,

Ref: FOI 2510

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information request regarding Pathology information in relation to Lord Carters Pathology Reports

The Trust can provide the following information:

- **Does your pathology service currently meet the 1.6% cost of service to Trust operating expenditure target as set out by the 2016 report?**

We have carried out an assessment, calculating how long it would take to provide you with this information and have estimated that it will take longer than 18 hours to complete this exercise. This is based on the fact that the data is not in a readily available format and as a result it will cost more than the 'appropriate time limit' to respond to your request.

Section 12 of the Act makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the cost of dealing with them would exceed the appropriate limit, which for public sector organisations is set at £450. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 2.5 working days in determining whether the department holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

- **Do you currently have a managed service arrangement within Pathology (entire disciplines or pan pathology, not individual analysers)?**

Yes

- **If yes, please can you provide the Suppliers name, expiry date, and average annual cost.**

General Medical Clinics Ltd, expires in February 2018 and Abbott Laboratories which has expired and currently a tender is being developed

- **Are you planning on collaborating with another NHS entity to provide pathology services?**

No

If you have any queries about this response please contact the information governance manager at foi@homerton.nhs.uk, in the first instance. If following that, you still have any concerns, you may contact the Information Commissioner either by letter, FOI/EIR Complaints resolution, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SM9 5AF, or by email www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk to take them further.

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Yours sincerely

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