

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

**Request Ref: NGFOI 19/20: 084**

Thank you for your request for information received at Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust (NGH) on 15/05/2019.

I am pleased to be able to provide you with the following information:

*I am writing to make an open government request for all the information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.*

*Please send me information on the following requests:*

1. Which company is your current Picture Archive and Communications System (PACS) system provider? (Image viewing and reporting system)	<b>GE</b>
2. When was the PACS contract implemented? When will the current PACS contract end?	<b>2015 Expires in 2025</b>
3. Is this a Capital and Support or Managed Service Purchase?	<b>Managed service</b>
4. What is the annual cost?	<b>To provide the information as requested, would be disclosing information which is commercially sensitive and could prejudice the commercial interests of our suppliers. This information is therefore held exempt under section 43 of the FOI Act.</b>
5. Which company is the Radiology Information System (RIS) provider?	<b>GE are the lead organisation for the whole Radiology systems. The specific RIS is HSS CRIS.</b>
6. When was the RIS contract implemented. When will the RIS contract end?	<b>2015 Expires in 2025</b>
7. Is this a Capital and Support or Managed Service Purchase?	<b>Managed service</b>
8. What is the annual cost?	<b>To provide the information as requested, would be disclosing information which is commercially sensitive and could prejudice the commercial interests of our suppliers. This information is therefore held exempt under section 43 of the FOI Act.</b>

<p>9. Roughly how many reporting workstations does your department currently have? For Radiology, Cardiology, Vascular and General Ultrasound?</p>	<p><b>Cardiology = 3</b>  <b>Radiology = Approximately 25</b>  <b>3 breast screening</b>  <b>Vascular = 4</b>  <b>General Ultrasound = 2 diagnostic workstations, plus 2 computers for the three general rooms</b></p>
<p>10. Roughly how many Echo-machines are there within the Trust? And how many ultrasound machines in total?</p>	<p><b>8 Echo machines</b>  <b>Approximately 47 Ultrasound systems</b></p>
<p>11. How many sites are these located in?</p>	<p><b>1</b></p>
<p>12. How many echocardiograms are performed per annum?</p>	<p><b>Outpatient activity from May 2018 – May 2019 was 6598</b>  <b>In patient activity from 31/5/18-31/5/19 was 2601</b></p>
<p>13. How many general ultrasound exams are performed per annum?</p>	<p><b>26398</b></p>
<p>14. How many Cardiac Physiologists, Echo Technicians, Sonographers, Consultant Cardiologists are employed by the Trust?</p>	<p><b>6 substantive Consultant Cardiologists, 2 locum Consultant Cardiologists</b>  <b>4 Invasive Cardiac Physiologists</b>  <b>5 permanent echo trained staff (2 full time, 3 part time)</b></p>