

FOI REF: 24/225

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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

**1) What Hospitals within your Trust run their own Pathology Labs or Departments?**

[Conquest Hospital and Eastbourne District General Hospital.](#)

**2) Who is the Laboratory Pathology IT Lead for these labs?**

[Sarah Walsh](#)  
[Head of Pathology Information Systems and Business Support.](#)

**3) At these labs what LIS / LIMS Solution are used to manage the day-to-day service?**

[iLaboratory \(APEX\)](#)

**4) When is the labs respective LIS / LIMS contract due for renewal?**

[30<sup>th</sup> April 2025.](#)

**5) 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)?**

[Yes, Clinisys Winpath enterprise.](#)

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- 6) **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)?**

We are part of Sussex Pathology Network, the incoming LIMS will be implemented as one LIMS across this network.

- 7) **What Middleware solutions do your Labs use if any?**

CITM  
EPU  
Epicentre  
Ortho Connect

- 8) **How many tests per year do your Labs do?**

10,295,363.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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