

FOI REF: 25/505

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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:

I would like to request the following information for each hospital site within your trust that provides cardiac physiology or cardiac diagnostics services:

- 1) The name and job title of the lead cardiac physiologist (or equivalent head of cardiac physiology) at each hospital site.**

Martin Layzell is the Head of Cardiac Physiology for East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust, working across the Trust's hospital sites.

- 2) Available contact details for these individuals or their offices (generic or departmental contacts are acceptable if direct details cannot be provided).**

There is no generic email address for the Cardiology team.

We are unable to provide the contact details of staff as we consider this information to be exempt from release in accordance with section 44 of the Freedom of Information Act (Prohibition on disclosure) and would refer to the Privacy and Electronic Communications EC Directive Regulations 2003 which provide specific rules on electronic communication services, including marketing (by phone, fax, email or text) and keeping communications services secure. We will not provide any information that could result in the transmission of unsolicited communications which may place an unacceptable risk to our email network and could also have a detrimental impact on patient care and treatment.

The contact numbers for the Trust are accessible on the Trust website:
<http://www.esht.nhs.uk>.

This is an absolute exemption and there is, therefore, no requirement to consider the public interest.

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

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department (esh-tr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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Yours sincerely

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