

NHS Foundation Trust

Information Governance Department

Suite 9 Buckingham Row Brick Kiln Lane Wigan WN1 1XX

Email: foi@wwl.nhs.uk Web: www.wwl.nhs.uk

Ref: FOI/2023/8752

Date Received: 17th March 2023

Response Due: 18th April 2023

Date:

Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

Continuity of essential clinical support services

1. Any record of whether procedures exist to ensure operational continuity of essential clinical support or ancillary services (e.g. laboratory, radiology, pharmacy) during emergencies and disasters.

Yes

2. Any record of whether staff have been trained in the above procedures.

No

3. Any record of whether resources to implement the above procedures can be mobilized at all times.

No

Expansion of usable space for mass casualty incidents

4. Any record of whether procedures and resources exist to expand space and provide access to extra beds in mass casualty incidents.

No

6.	The date(s) of the most recent test(s) of the above procedures.
	N/A but staff are aware of the Incident Plan and Mass Casualty Plan for the Trust.
Triage	for major emergencies and disasters
7.	Any record of whether space has been designated and procedures exist to carry out triage during emergencies and disasters.
	Yes
8.	Any record of whether staff have been trained in the above procedures.
	No
9.	The date(s) of the most recent test(s) of the above procedures.
	N/A but staff are aware of the Incident Plan and Mass Casualty Plan for the Trust.
Triage tags for mass casualty incidents	
10.	Any record the existence of triage tags for mass casualty incidents.
	No
System for referral, transfer and reception of patients	
11.	Any record of whether procedures exist for the reception, referral and transfer of patients to and from other health facilities within and outside the geographical area where the hospital is located during emergencies and disasters.
	Yes
12.	Any record of whether staff have been trained in the above procedures.
	No

5. Any record of whether staff have been trained in the above procedures.

13. The date(s) of the most recent test(s) of the above procedures.	
N/A but staff are aware of the Incident Plan and Mass Casualty Plan for the Trust.	
Infection surveillance, prevention and control procedures	
14. Any record of whether procedures exist for infection prevention and control during emergencies and disasters.	
Yes	
15. Any record of whether staff have been trained in the above procedures.	
No	
16. Any record of whether resources are available for implementation of the above procedures.	
No	
Psychosocial services	
17. Any record of whether procedures exist for provision of psychosocial support, assessment and treatment services to patients, families and staff during emergencies and disasters.	
Yes	
18. Any record of whether staff have been trained in the above procedures.	
No	
19. Any record of whether resources are available for implementation of the above procedures.	
No	
If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.	

Yours sincerely,



Tabitha Gardner Chief Finance Officer

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 111