

Ref: UHB 17-740

## Freedom of Information Request

Date 5 January 2018

By Email

Dear Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trusts response is as follows:

 Please confirm if the Institution accepts pharmaceutical samples of licensed medicines (i.e. sample packs provided free of charge)?
 We can confirm the Trust does not accept pharmaceutical samples of licensed medicines.

- 2. If it does, please confirm whether the Institution also accepts "cold chain" samples? If it does, is there any restriction on pack size?

  Not applicable
- 3. Does the Institution have a formal policy relating to the receipt of samples in either of the above cases? If yes, please can you provide an electronic copy of this policy?

Please see attached.

4. Excluding samples, are there any other circumstances or criteria under which the Institution would accept free of charge licensed medicines?
Official NHSE Early Access to Medicines (EAMs) schemes.

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Trust Secretary
University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
Bristol
BS1 3NU

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely,

