

NHS Foundation Trust

Freedom of Information Request Ref: UHB 18-206

Date 15 May 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:

1) STATIC SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS

How many fixed (static) surveillance cameras are functional on the trust's premises?	317
How many are focused outside buildings (for instance in grounds or car parks)?	53
How many are focused inside buildings?	264

2) MOVING SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS

How many moving surveillance cameras (those that zoom in, pan and tilt) are functional on the trust's premises?	5
How many are focused outside buildings (for instance in grounds or car parks)?	5
How many are focused inside buildings?	0

3) COVERT (HIDDEN CAMERAS)

Do you have any covert (hidden) cameras on your premises? If yes, please say:	The Trust does not have any covert cameras.
How many are focused outside buildings (for instance in grounds or car parks)?	Not applicable
How many are focused inside buildings?	Not applicable

4) BODY WORN CAMERAS

Do security officers employed by the trust use body worn video cameras? If yes, please say:	Yes
How many body worn cameras are in use by security guards on your premises?	The Trust has 6 body worn cameras in stock
When these are turned on.	The cameras are not switched on during normal patrolling but are switched on when attending an incident.

- 5) How much has the trust spent on surveillance equipment, in total? Please break this down by:
 - a. Fixed surveillance cameras
 - b. Moving surveillance cameras
 - c. Body worn video cameras

We are unable to provide the requested information as the cost of surveillance equipment is included within the total access control system budget and cannot be split.

6) What is the make, model and manufacturer of the devices used by the Trust?

Fixed surveillance cameras	The Trust is presently migrating all the CCTV equipment to Avigilon equipment and	
Moving surveillance	software.	
cameras	Software.	
Body worn video cameras	Reveal RS2-X2L MkII	

- 7) Where is the footage from the devices stored? Please break this down by:
 - a. Fixed surveillance cameras
 - b. Moving surveillance cameras
 - c. Body worn video cameras

All the data from devices is stored on Trust secure servers.

- 8) How long is the footage from the devices held? Please break this down for:
 - a. Fixed surveillance cameras
 - b. Moving surveillance cameras
 - c. Body worn video cameras

The data is stored for approximately 30 days unless we are required to retain the data for an on-going incident/case. The data is stored as 7 above.

- 9) How many times has footage from devices been used in a successful or unsuccessful prosecution? Please break this down by device:
 - a. Fixed surveillance cameras
 - b. Moving surveillance cameras
 - c. Body worn video cameras

The data is used extensive to provide evidence for criminal proceeding and this has resulted in numerous successful/unsuccessful prosecutions since 2002. Unfortunately, due to the extensive time period the Trust has been working with the criminal justice profession in providing CCTV data we do not always receive outcomes from the courts and therefore do not have accurate records.

10)Does your trust comply with the Surveillance Camera Commissioner's code of conduct? (https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/surveillance-camera-code-of-practice)

NHS bodies are not deemed to be Relevant authorities and as such are not covered by the code of conduct. This was confirmed by Rt Hon Brandon Lewis MP in responding to Tony Porter, Surveillance Camera Commissioner, on the 13 January 2017 ...'in the case of the Department of Health, to work with you to explore the benefits of voluntary adoption of the code within the NHS'

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,

FOI Administrator