

## Freedom of Information Request **19 252**

**Our Reference:** FOI 19 252 / AA / LB / PB  
**Name:**  
**Date:** 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020  
**Address:**

Dear

Further to your Freedom of Information Request, please find the Trust's response below:

I am researching the use of clinical decision support systems used in NHS Trusts. As such I am making this request under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

To assist you, what I mean by clinical decision support systems, these are stand alone or integrated software which helps clinical staff make safe decisions and take appropriate action. They can be algorithms, care plans, clinical referencing, or clinical condition specific guidelines which incorporate treatment or decision making.

Proprietary examples include:

- BestPractice (BMJ)
  - ClinicalKey, ExpertPath, STATdx, Arezzo (Elsevier)
  - DXS
  - DynaMed, DynaMed Plus, Isabel (EBSCO)
  - First DataBank, Zynx (Hearst)
  - IBM Watson, Micromedex (IBM)
  - iRefer (MedCurrent)
  - MedicinesComplete (BNF)
  - Provation
  - LexiComp, UpToDate (WoltersKluwer)
  - ThinkResearch (ThinkResearch Corporation)

To assist me with my research, could you please give me the following information please:

1. Does the trust operate any clinical decision support systems (examples above)
  - If so, which ones?

[Humber Teaching NHS Foundation Trust \('the Trust'\)](#) uses Medicines Complete and eBNF within its pharmacy service.

2. What is the cost of licences (and any other support) the Trust paid on clinical decision support systems in the financial years 2017-18 & 2018-19



The subscriptions for eBNF are paid annually to Medicines Complete. The last three payments were:

July 2019 - £684.14

June 2018 - £651.56

June 2017 - £620.53.

3. Has the trust developed their own electronic clinical decision support system(s)?

No, the Trust has not developed its own electronic clinical decision support system.

4. If so, what were the WTE and total funding costs incurred in development of their own clinical decision support system(s) for the financial years 2017-18 & 2018-19 respectively.

N/A

5. What was the Trusts' total operating budget for financial years 2017-18 & 2018-19 respectively

This information can be found on the Trust's website in the Trust Annual Report and Accounts for the financial years 2017-18 and 2018-19. Please visit:

<https://www.humber.nhs.uk/about-our-trust/annual-report-and-accounts.htm>

Kind regards,

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