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Freedom of Information Request – Ref: 139-1819

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information request about diagnostic tests. Please find the Trust's response attached.

Yours sincerely,

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To whom it may concern

Re: Infectious Disease Diagnostic Tests, Freedom of Information Request

Under the Freedom of Information Act, we are asking for information about the **number of diagnostic tests** carried out at your NHS Trust for certain infectious diseases in the twelve months from April 2017 to March 2018.

Please would you complete the attached table in as much detail as possible. The Pathology Laboratory or Point of Care co-ordinator at your Trust may have this information readily to hand.

At first glance the table looks very detailed; however, there will be many sections that will not be relevant to your Trust and will therefore be left blank.

Terminology used in the table

- 'Test Type' e.g. molecular or immunoassay.
- 'Near Patient' = tests carried out at the ward, A&E, etc. and not done in a laboratory.
- 'Laboratory within your Hospital Trust' = for example, a pathology laboratory at your Trust.
- 'Laboratory outside your Hospital Trust' = are the tests carried out off-site at another location? This is not another site/building within your hospital Trust but could be another NHS Trust or private laboratory.
- 'Other' = are tests carried out anywhere else?
- 'NHS/Private' = are the tests carried out by NHS staff/at an NHS facility or carried out by a private provider? 'Private' includes private laboratories based at your Trust.

Infectious Disease	Test Type	Number of Diagnostic Tests carried out in the 12 months from April 2017 to March 2018					
		'Near Patient' <i>(not in a laboratory)</i>	Laboratory <u>within</u> your Hospital Trust		Laboratory <u>outside</u> your Hospital Trust		Other <i>(please specify)</i>
			NHS	NHS	Private	NHS	

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	Lateral Flow										
	Other <i>(please specify)</i>								657 EIA		
Legionella	Molecular										
	Lateral Flow								0		
	Culture										
	Immunoassay (EIA)										
	Other <i>(please specify)</i>										