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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – CARDIOGRAPHS

I write in response to your request for information in relation to cardiographs.

Question:

- For each hospital site, we are specifically looking for the following:
 - a. Hospital name:
 - b. Number of cardiographs on site:
 - c. Make and model of each cardiograph:
 - d. Commission date (year):
 - e. Planned replacement date (year):
 - f. Do you operate a paper-based or digital ECG workflow?
 - g. Do you have an ECG management system? (If yes, please state the make/model)

Answer:

a.	Please see enclosed.
b.	
c.	
d.	
e.	Typically, ten years after purchase/commissioning, funding dependent.
f.	Mixed, depending on location and whether the devices support it. We are transitioning clinical areas to centralised digital storage as the oldest devices are replaced.
g.	“ECG management system” is ambiguous and open to interpretation. It’s not clear what the requester is asking for.

I hope the information provided helps with your request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner within 6 months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by using the Scottish Information Commissioner’s Office online appeals service at

www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal. If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner's response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

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Yours sincerely

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