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I am responding to your request for information received on 13th December 2019. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

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Information Governance Coordinator

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Chair: Marie Gabriel Chief Executive: Dr Navina Evans

Request:

I am writing to request a copy of any policy related to the Trust's employment of businesses or private individuals, or to contracting private individuals or businesses to undertake specific clinical and / or non-clinical tasks on behalf of the Trust.

Answer:

Please find attached the Standards of Business Conduct Policy.

If an individual is self-employed and wishes to work directly or indirectly (via an agency) they would need to complete the IR35 forms. More information can be found here - https://www.gov.uk/topic/business-tax/ir35

- 1. The Trust would need to ensure their self-employed status is compliant with HMRC regulations. There is a test that needs to completed here: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/check-employment-status-for-tax
- 2. If the employee has completed the IR35 test, the manager must confirm that they agree with the answers
- 3. The test result can then be forwarded to the Trust's finance department for formal sign off

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