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I am responding to your request for information received **2nd February 2022**. I am sorry for the delay in responding to your request. 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,



Lara Cousens
Information Governance Manager – Information Rights

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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Request:

Question 1: Could you please provide a copy of the Trusts/entity "New Medical Device policy?"

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states:

(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

The information requested is accessible here:

<https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/Medical%20Devices%20Policy%204.0.pdf>

Question 2: Could you please provide a copy of the Trusts/entity "Medical Devices and Procurement Review Group policy?"

Answer: Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—

(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and
(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to him.

East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health Trust and does not hold a Medical Devices and Procurement Review Group Policy.

Question 3: Could you please provide a copy of the Trusts/entity "Business case template for new medical devices or technology" for new medical/diagnostic device approval?

Answer: Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

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East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health Trust and does not hold a specific Business Case template for Medical Devices or technology.

Question 4: Could you please provide a list of all approved medical devices in your Trusts/entity? Excel format, word or PDF is fine.

Answer: Please see attached Document.

Question 5: Could you please provide a copy of the policy which supports "medical devices on trial requirements".

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East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health Trust and does not hold a policy which specifically supports medical devices on trial requirements.

Question 6: Could you please provide the policy for including a new pathology test within the Trusts/entity?

Answer: Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

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East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health Trust and does not hold a policy for including a new pathology test. The trust contracts this from BARTs and Bedford Laboratories.

Question 7: Could you please provide the policy for the “New medical Product Selection Group”

Answer: Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

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East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health Trust and does not hold a policy for the new medical product selection group.

Question 8: Could you please confirm how often new medical device review meetings take place?

Answer: Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

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Question 9: Could you please provide me the name of the staff member responsible for finances of new medical devices and their email address.

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Answer: Mohit Venkataram
Email - mohit.venkataram@nhs.net

Question 10: Could you please provide me the name of the staff member responsible for procurement of new medical devices and their email address.

Answer: Mohit Venkataram
Email - mohit.venkataram@nhs.net

Question 11: Lastly, could you please supply a copy of the last 3 'New Medical Device meeting' minutes and also the location of where they are published on your website?

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