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I am responding to your request for information received 16 February 2023. 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,



Nimita Parmar
Information Rights Coordinator

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:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

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Request: Please find attached a Freedom of Information request concerning Surveillance of NHS patients using the Oxevision system, optical sensor, or video camera.

Question 1: Are you currently, or have you ever, taken part in a pilot study of the Oxevision system?

Answer: We have not taken part in a pilot study of Oxevision.

Question 2. Are you currently, or have you ever, made use of the Oxevision system or any other visual monitoring system?

Answer: Yes.

Question 3. Do you carry out any visual monitoring, recording or surveillance whilst patients are situated in their bedrooms?

Answer: No, visual monitoring, recording or surveillance whilst patients are situated in their bedrooms is not undertaken.

Question 4. How many patients have been monitored using the Oxevision system? Please provide a month by month breakdown of this data, up to the current month beginning the 1st February 2023.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 4 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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 them.*

East London NHS Foundation Trust does not record the number of patients monitored using the Oxevision system and is therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 5 Please provide the following information by electronic copy:

- **A copy of any information given to patients about the pilot study using the Oxevision system and any other visual monitoring system.**

Answer: As in our response to Q1, we have not taken part in a pilot study of Oxevision. Oxehealth is however used in seclusion rooms. Posters making this clear are displayed in clinical areas across inpatient units. See attached Appendix 1

- **A copy of patient consent forms for patients participating in Oxevision system pilot study.**

Answer: Not Applicable.

- **Do you obtain patient consent by another means apart from consent form? Please provide documentation.**

Answer: Posters advising patients of use are on display in clinical areas- service users also advised they can discuss any questions with staff.



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- **Please provide a copy of any policies that you have relating to the Oxevision or other visual surveillance systems of patients.**

Answer: See attached Appendix 2.



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