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I am responding to your request for information received 26 June 2023. 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,

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

Tel: 0303 123 1113 Web: <u>www.ico.org.uk</u>

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Request: I'd be grateful if you could provide me with details of which hospital(s) within your trust area:

Question 1: Have medical staff/surgical team trained to carry out bloodless surgery.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1 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 is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not provide bloodless surgery services described in this request. We are therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 2: Have autologous blood transfusion and patient's own cell salvage equipment available.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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 and Community Health Trust and as such does not provide blood transfusion services described in this request. We are therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 3: Keep stocks of synthetic blood transfusion substitutes.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 3 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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 and Community Health Trust and as such does not keep stocks of synthetic blood transfusion substitutes described in this request. We are therefore unable to provide a response.

