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I am responding to your request for information received 22 February 2024. 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: www.ico.org.uk

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Request:

I am reaching out to gather crucial information regarding the pre- and current post-BREXIT clinical trials landscape in Oncology on a nationwide basis in the UK.

Before completing this survey, kindly check to ensure that your hospital(s) provide(s) systemic therapy for solid cancer (i.e. initiation of SACT and follow up of Oncology patients) in adults. If so, please proceed with this survey.

If your hospital does not provide systemic therapy for solid cancers, then please do not complete this survey and instead e-mail back to notify us and we will update our records accordingly.

Furthermore, we advise that whoever is designated to complete this survey should be in charge of, lead or co-ordinate the solid cancer, thus only Oncology (i.e. NOT haematological malignancies, not haem-onc) clinical trials department at your NHS hospital. Questions should be answered on behalf of the organisation.

In relation to this survey, we only aim to obtain data regarding systemic anticancer therapies (SACT) as investigational medicinal products (IMP). Examples of such therapies include chemotherapy, cellular therapies, biologics, hormonal therapy, targeted therapy, immunotherapy and other. This survey specifically enquires about interventional studies (e.g. studying the safety and/or efficacy of novel treatments).

Answer:

The Trust has reviewed 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 oncology services as described in this request. We are therefore unable to provide a response.