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We are responding to your request for information received 16^h July 2026. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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

Yours sincerely,

FOI Team

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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Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

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Web: www.ico.org.uk

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Request: I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from your Trust. The questions relate to dermatology services your Trust commissions, including the use of teledermatology. Please could you provide me with answers to the following:

Question 1: Teledermatology provision

Does your organisation currently use a teledermatology platform or system to support the delivery of dermatology services? If yes, please confirm whether this is used for any of the following purposes:

- **Store-and-forward image review**
- **Advice and Guidance between primary and secondary care**
- **Remote consultation or virtual outpatient appointments**
- **Triage of urgent suspected skin cancer referrals**

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:

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East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not have a teledermatology platform or provide dermatology services. The Trust is therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 2: Technology platform

Please state the name of the teledermatology software platform or system currently in use. If more than one platform is in use, please list all and indicate the purpose of each.

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

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Question 3: Commissioning and funding arrangements

Is the teledermatology platform funded and procured directly by your organisation, or is it commissioned and funded by your ICB? If both apply, please clarify which platforms fall under each arrangement. Additionally, please indicate whether any of your teledermatology platforms are funded centrally, for example through research-supported or NHS England funding.

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



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Question 4: Contract details

Please state the start date, end date, and total contract value of the current teledermatology platform contract or contracts, where this information is not exempt from disclosure.

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Question 5: Procurement plans

Is there an active or planned procurement for a teledermatology platform currently under way or anticipated within the next 24 months? If yes, please provide details of the anticipated timeline.

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Question 6: Dermatology referral activity

For the most recent full financial year for which data is available, please provide:

- **The total number of new referrals onto a dermatology Referral to Treatment (RTT) pathway received by your organisation**
- **The total number of urgent suspected cancer (two-week wait) referrals for skin cancer received by your organisation**
- **The total number of skin cancers diagnosed by your organisation**



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Question 7: Key contacts

Please provide the name and contact details, or job title if personal details are not disclosable, of the following individuals within your organisation:

- **The clinical lead for dermatology**
- **The operational or service lead responsible for dermatology services**
- **The individual responsible for digital or technology procurement within dermatology or the wider clinical directorate**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 7 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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