

Date: Wednesday, 26 June 2019 Our Ref: MB/KF FIRM 3873

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## Re: Freedom of Information Request FIRM 3873

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 6th June 2019.

Your request was received as follows: -

1. Has a senior clinician in the Trust been appointed to lead the response to this alert?

|  | Your response |
|--|---------------|
| If yes, please name the individual   | Priya Nair    |
| If no, please specify the reason for the lack of appointment and anticipated timelines for an appointment to be made |               |

2. Has the trust reviewed existing - or produced new - local guidance for the management of hyperkalaemia?

|  | Your response                |
|--|------------------------------|
| If yes, please share the relevant guidance and provide details of any changes made during the review | Please see attached document |
| If no, please specify why this has not taken place and any future plans to do so                     |                              |

3. Has the trust taken steps to ensure that local guidance can be easily accessed by all staff?

|   | Your response   |
|---|---|
| If yes, please outline the specific measures taken                      | The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust (WCFT) can confirm we ensure local guidance can be easily accessed via our internal communication department and is available on the trust intranet. |
| If no, please specify the reasons why not and any future plans to do so |   |

4. Has the trust revised local training and audit to ensure that relevant guidance and resources are embedded in clinical practice?

|  | Your response   |
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| If yes, please outline the specific measures taken and signpost to updated documents | WCFT can confirm an audit was registered with clinical audit group and approved in January 2019 and is ongoing and teaching has been developed and started June 2019 once pathway passed at D&T in May. |
| If no, please specify the reasons why not  |   |





5. Has the trust used local communication strategies to raise staff awareness of hyperkalaemia diagnosis and treatment?

|   | Your response  |
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| If yes, please specify the measures taken                           | Uutilising the internal Communications department and visual prompts in the ward areas |
| If no, please specify the reasons why and any future plans to do so |  |

See our response above in blue.

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Yours sincerely

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