

Information Governance

31 January 2018

Our Ref: RFI 22424

Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000
Information in Relation to the Trust's Electronic Prescribing and Medicines
Administration System**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for the information relating to the above which you requested on 16 January 2018.

A response to each of the questions raised has been provided by the Woman and Acute Child Health Directorate and is attached in Appendix A.

Under the terms of the legislation, if you are unhappy with this response you have the right to seek a review within the Trust in the first instance. If you wish to do so, please write to me at the address below.

If after such a review you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner who will undertake an independent review. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.

If you have any queries about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

**L McAree (Miss)
Head of Information Governance &
Directorate Support**

Q1) Does your Trust already use an ePMA system for medicines management?

1a) - If YES - is this part of an EPR system and if so, what EPR do you use?

1b)) -If YES -but the solution is not part of an EPR, (e.g. the Trust uses a stand-alone system) can you please indicate the name of the supplier and product. Can you also detail the contract expiry date?

1c) -If NO- can you indicate if this is something you may consider procuring in the next 2 years? 1d) - If not- is there a reason why the Trust would not procure an ePMA (be this new or a replacement)

A1. No. There is a regional project board progressing this within the Encompass Programme. If you require further information I would suggest that you contact the Health and Social Care Board (HSCB). Their contact details are foi.hscb@hscni.net.

Q2) Could you please give me the name/ title and contact details of the Trust employee who is responsible for your ePMA &/or medicines management process?

A2. ePMA is now within the Encompass Programme scope. The Trust lead for this is Stephen Powell, ICT Programme Manager, Encompass Trust Lead. (028) 9266 5141.

Medicines Management – Jill Macintyre, Head of Pharmacy and Medicines Management. (028) 9048 4511.