

10 May 2018

Our Ref: RFI 23199

Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000
Copy of the Clinical Protocol(s) for Therapeutic Venesection**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for information relating to the above which you requested on 11 April 2018.

A response to each of the questions raised has been provided by the Nursing, Primary Care Directorate and is provided below.

Q1. A copy of your clinical protocol(s) for therapeutic venesection.

A1. Please see attached the Trust's current guidance document entitled Therapeutic Venesection Guidelines, SET/Guide (129) 2014.

Q2. The date at which your venesection protocol was most recently reviewed and updated.

A2. The Therapeutic Venesection Guidelines, SET/Guide (129) 2014 is currently under review. It is anticipated that the review will be complete by the end of this year.

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

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