

21 July 2021

**Our Ref:** RFI 39831

Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000  
Information in relation to Costs of Diagnosing Adult Growth Hormone**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for information relating to above which you requested on 5 July 2021.

A response to each of the questions raised has been provided by the Hospital Services Directorate and is attached in Appendix A.

If you are unhappy as to how this request has been handled, you have the right to seek a review within the Trust in the first instance. You should write to the Information Governance Department, Lough House, Ards Community Hospital ([informationgovernance@setrust.hscni.net](mailto:informationgovernance@setrust.hscni.net)) within two months of the date of this response and your complaint will be considered and a response provided, within 20 working days of receipt.

If, after receiving a response, you remain unhappy, you can refer your complaint to the Information Commissioner at The Information Commissioner's Office –Northern Ireland, 3rd Floor, 14 Cromac Place, Belfast, BT7 2JB. It is important to note that if you refer any matter to the Information Commissioner, you will need to show evidence of having gone through the Trust's internal review procedure to try to resolve the matter with the Trust in the first instance.

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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**Rebecca Manning  
Information Governance Assistant**

**Q1. I am writing to ask for an outline of what it costs the trust to conduct the three stimulation tests for Growth Hormone deficiency. I am only interested in the costs for testing Adults with this condition Please put the cost for each test separately.**

- **Insulin Stress Test**
- **Glucagon Stress Test**
- **GHRH Arginine Stress Test**

A1. The Trust laboratories do not carry out the above listed testing. This testing would be referred to the Belfast Health & Social Care Trust (Belfast Trust) laboratories and therefore the Trust does not hold this information.

However the information you request may be held by the Belfast Trust. If you wish to pursue this request I would suggest you contact the Belfast Trust on [publicliaison@belfasttrust.hscni.net](mailto:publicliaison@belfasttrust.hscni.net)