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Dear Joe,

RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST - REF: D9363

Please find our Trust's response in relation to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

Pursuant to the Freedom of information Act 2000, I would be grateful if you could provide information relating to the following survey questions.

Introductions

Under section 54 (Transparency in Supply Chains) of the Modern Slavery Act 2015, relevant commercial organisations must publish an annual statement setting out the steps they are taking to prevent modern slavery in their supply chains. This statement is referred to as a Modern Slavery Statement.

Survey Questions

Is your authority's supply chain checked for adherence to Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015?

No.

2. In the calendar year 2017, how many suppliers in your supply chain did Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 apply to?

All GMMH suppliers.

3. In the calendar year 2018, how many suppliers in your supply chain did Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 apply to?

All GMMH suppliers.

4. How often are due diligence checks carried out in compliance with Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act and by whom (job title)?

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Whilst due diligence checks on individual supplier are not routinely carried out, compliance with the Act is a specific requirement within the Trust's supplier code of conduct and is detailed as a specific condition on all purchase orders issued.

5. Which area of your supply chain do you think is particularly vulnerable to risks of modern slavery and human trafficking and what steps have you taken to manage these risks?

Agency staffing and products that are manufactured at home and overseas would be the areas the Trust would assess as most vulnerable.

Risks are managed and mitigated by:

- Purchasing a significant number of products/services through NHS Supply Chain, whose 'Supplier Code of Conduct' includes a provision around forced labour.
- Use of framework contract suppliers wherever possible.
- Requiring all suppliers to comply with the provisions of the UK Modern Slavery Act (2015), through agreement of our 'Supplier Code of Conduct', purchase orders and tender specifications. All of which set out our commitment to ensuring no modern slavery or human trafficking related to our business.
- Using NHS Professionals to provide Agency staffing.

6. How compliant is your authority to enforcing the requirements of section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015?

Full compliance.

7. Have there been any reports of incidents of Modern Slavery in your supply chain. If your answer is "yes" please provide details.

No.

8. How well do you think staff managing contracts on behalf of your authority are trained to spot and tackle Modern Slavery within your supply chain?

All procurement staff receive training and are required to be familiar with the Trust policy which is available on the Trust intranet page and on the GMMH website.

9. Name of Authority

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10. Does your authority publish a Modern Slavery statement? If "Yes", please provide a link to your Modern Slavery Statement otherwise enter "Not applicable" or "Not sure".

GMMH's Slavery and Human Trafficking Policy Statement can be found on the website at <https://www.gmmh.nhs.uk/declarations>

I hope the information provided above is to your satisfaction. If you are unhappy with the way, the Trust has handled your request you may request an internal review.

If you require an internal review please write to Sarah McDonald, Head of IM&T Service Delivery, at the address above, who will arrange a review of your case.

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If you are not happy with the outcome of the internal review you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

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