

## Endoscopy/Cystoscopy/Insourcing

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

Please be aware that the Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (Royal Devon) has existed since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 following the integration of the Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust (known as Northern Services) and the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust (known as Eastern Services).

*Dear Sir/Madam,*

*Under the Freedom of Information Act, we would like to request the answers to the below questions, in relation to your trust.*

1. *How many patients are on the cystoscopy surveillance list?*

Answer: 825.

2. *What is the name of the endoscopy regional network lead who oversees the endoscopy trust decisions?*

Answer: The Trust does not release the names of staff below a Director under Section 40 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 Personal Information, where disclosure may contravene the Data Protection Act 2018 and therefore applies an exemption under Section 40 (2) - Personal Information of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and Section 10 of the Data Protection Act 2018.

The Executive Director responsible for Medical Services is John Palmer, Chief Operating Officer. They are contactable via our main hospitals 01392 411611 (Eastern services) and 01271 322577 (Northern services) or via the Trust 'Contact Us' link on [royaldevon.nhs.uk](https://royaldevon.nhs.uk)

Where contact details are given for Trust staff in this response, notice is hereby given, under Section 11 of the Data Protection Act 2018, on behalf of the individual or individuals that this personal information may not be used for the purposes of direct marketing.

3. *Have you ever used or considered using a mobile endoscopy unit when you decant or refurbish your facilities?*

Answer: Northern Services: Not applicable at the moment but may be considered in the future

Eastern Services: Mobile Endoscopy Unit currently being implemented at Tiverton Hospital with the proposed start date of 16 October 2023.

4. *Do you use insourcing for your endoscopy lists and if so is it evening, weekend or both?*

Answer: Yes. For Northern Services: 2 weekends per month and 1 day per week in core hours. For Eastern Services: Endoscopy Mobile Unit will provide 7-day service.

5. *If you do use insourcing who do you use?*

Answer: InHealth and Elective Services.