

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

RF23-738

Request:

Please provide a list of all gender options you list on patient forms.

(Any form filled in by a patient that collects their personal data, such as name, date of birth, gender/sex, etc. For example an admission form)

Response:

We can confirm East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust (EKHUFT) holds the information you have requested.

However, we are unable to comply with your request as the cost of responding to all parts would exceed the appropriate cost limit of £450 for NHS bodies, as defined in section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act. The £450 limit is reached by using a standard charge-out rate of £25 an hour, which equates to 18 hours' work.

In order to provide a comprehensive list of gender options on patient forms, we would have to identify, locate and review the gender options of every form used across the Trust.

It is our determination that we would not be able to complete this activity to provide the information requested within 18 hours. We have considered ways in which your request might be narrowed or limited in order to reduce the cost of complying with it, but on this occasion, we have not been able to identify how we can assist.

However, we can inform you that we use the following genders on our Patient Administration System (PAS) system: Female, Male, Not Known and Indeterminate.

(DATE OF RESPONSE: 13 DECEMBER 2023)