

**Freedom of Information Act 2000**

**The Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust Response to Information request**

**Date Request Received: 28<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

**FOI Ref No 28996**

**Requested Information:**

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I request the following information regarding your use of insourcing for haematology, histopathology, and/or microbiology services between 1 April 2024 and the date of this request (i.e., the last 12 months):

**Service Usage:**

1. Does your trust currently use (or has it used in the last 12 months) insourcing providers for any of the following services?
  - a) Haematology
  - b) Histopathology
  - c) Microbiology
  - d) Oncology

(If yes, please specify which specialties)

**Provider Details:**

2. For each insourced specialty above, provide:
  - a) The name(s) of the external provider(s).
  - b) The start and end date(s) of the contract(s).

**Scope & Volume:**

3. A brief description of the services covered (e.g., "blood film reporting," "biopsy analysis," "infection screening").
4. Estimated annual spend (or total spend) on these insourcing arrangements for 2023/24.

**Procurement Method:**

5. Was the contract awarded via a framework (e.g., NHS SBS DPS, Crown Commercial Service)? If yes, state which one.

If no insourcing is used for these specialties, please state "None."

**Response:**

Service Usage:

1. Does your trust currently use (or has it used in the last 12 months) insourcing providers for any of the following services?
  - a) Haematology - None
  - b) Histopathology – None
  - c) Microbiology - None
  - d) Oncology - None

**Attachment(s):**

No Attachment(s)

**Date Response sent: 6<sup>th</sup> June 2025**