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Email only

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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 10th January 2024 in relation to County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (the Trust). Your request has been processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and I am now able to provide you with a response.

Your request was in relation to Las Vegas Cloudworld event 2023 and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

In September 2023, staff from a number of NHS organisations attended an event held in Las Vegas called ‘Cloudworld’ organised by the company Oracle.

The full title was ‘Oracle Cloudworld 2023’.

The dates of this event were: September 18, 2023 - September 21, 2023.

My request is as follows:

- **Did any staff members from your organisation attend this event?**

Yes

- **If so, how many attended and what were their job titles?**

4 – CIO, CNIO, CCI0 and deputy Director of Operations and Performance

- **Again, if members of your staff attended this event, what was the total cost to your organisation of their participation (for example, payments for flights, hotels, food)?**

The supplier, a key provider of our Electronic Patient Records system, covered the costs for flights and conference fees as part of our cooperative effort to present on Sepsis, underscoring our dedication to enhancing patient safety and contributing to the collective knowledge. The modest accommodation and incidental expenses shouldered by the Trust are in strict accordance with our organisational policy and represent a sensible investment towards the strategic benefits and learning that such a significant conference promises for our organisation.

Expenses - £3,619.

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log on the Trust's website. However please be assured that we anonymise all responses prior to adding them to the disclosure log.

I hope that this response has provided you with the information you had requested. If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or in writing. If however, you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been handled and would like an internal review, you will need to contact me in writing at the above address or via cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.

If you remain dissatisfied with our response following an internal review you have the right to appeal to The Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. More information is available on their website; www.ico.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

Corporate Records and Freedom of Information Facilitator