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## **Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information**

Thank you for your request for information received on 15 July 2019 in relation to the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (Trust). We are dealing with your request under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested information regarding listeria. Specifically you requested information as follows:

**1) *A copy of any correspondence sent and received by the Trust about listeria from hospital sandwiches since 1 January 2016?***

Answer: All correspondence received is attached in the following appendices:

1. HCA Correspondence
2. FSA Correspondence
3. NHSi Correspondence

**2) *A copy of any reports prepared by the Trust about listeria and hospital sandwiches from 1 January 2016.***

Answer: The ICT have not issued any reports about listeria and hospital sandwiches from 1 January 2016, we in conjunction with Facilities produced and cascaded a bulletin regarding sandwich production and storage June 2019 (see attached Appendix 4)

**3) *The number of patients found or suspected to have contracted listeria from hospital sandwiches in each calendar year from 1 January 2016, including the current calendar year.***

Answer: The Trust has no records of patients found or suspected to have contracted listeria from hospital sandwiches in each calendar year from 1 January 2016.

**4) Any correspondence with The Good Food Chain about listeria since 1 January 2016.**

Answer: The ICT have had no correspondence with the Good Food Chain at any time

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. Therefore, a version of our response which will protect your anonymity will be posted on the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust website.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number or at the above address.

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review by writing to:

The Chief Executive  
County Durham & Darlington NHS Foundation Trust  
Darlington Memorial Hospital  
Hollyhurst Road  
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If, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
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Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Website: [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk).

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely

**Joanna Tyrrell**  
Freedom of Information Officer