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Diagnostic Testing Practices

1. Diagnostic tests performed under the Healthcare Institution exemption

Please provide a list of all diagnostic tests currently conducted by the Trust that fall under the Healthcare Institution exemption. For each test, include:

- **Test name and clinical purpose**
Please see attached spreadsheet
- **Location(s) where the test is performed**
Please see attached spreadsheet
- **Basis for classification under the exemption**
*This information is exempt under Section 12 of the FOI Act which related to fee limit

2. Diagnostic tests using commercially available kits

Please provide details of all diagnostic tests performed in the past 12 months using commercially available kits. For each test, include:

- **Test name and purpose**
Please see attached spreadsheet
- **Name of the kit and suppliers**
Please see attached spreadsheet
- **Location(s) where the test is performed**
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3. External diagnostic testing

Please confirm whether any diagnostic tests are conducted externally to the Trust. If so:

- **List the tests and their purpose**
Please see attached spreadsheet
- **Identify whether these external services are provided by commercial companies or by other organisations claiming Healthcare Institution exemption status**
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4. Classification criteria and review date

Please provide:

- **A copy of any policies, guidance, or criteria used by the Trust to determine;**
See attached

A). which diagnostic tests qualify under the Healthcare Institution exemption

B). How tests are classified as using commercially available kits

- **The date these classification criteria were last reviewed or updated**

Please see attached spreadsheet

*We estimate that compliance with this element of the request for information would exceed the appropriate costs limit. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information 2000, the limit has been specified as £450 and represents the estimated cost of one or more persons spending 18 hours in determining whether we hold the information, locating, retrieving and extracting this information.