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By email only

Dear

We write further to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act received 2nd January 2019. We have set out your request, together with our response below.

Please could you disclose whether the hospital has had to purchase oversized mortuary fridges to better accommodate obese bodies since January 1 2014.

University Hospitals Coventry and Hospital of St. Cross Rugby have not purchased any “oversized” mortuary fridges in the in timeframe requested

If possible, please could you state the number of such fridges bought and installed for each calendar year: 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 until the date of this request, please?

None applicable

Lastly, please could you detail if you have taken any other moves to accommodate larger bodies in the hospital mortuary.

We are looking into contingency plans for when a deceased patient is over the SWL, this is in the early stages and at present these patients are transferred to specialist centres within the region.

As we have provided the information that we do hold your request is now closed. We trust that this is satisfactory but if you are dissatisfied with the way that it has been handled you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted



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within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Geoff Stokes, Director of Corporate Affairs, UHCW, Clifford Bridge Road, Coventry CV2 2DX.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

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