

Ref. No: 0724 Date: 22/02/24

Subject: COVID-19 Vaccinations

REQUEST

I had two COVID-19 vaccines administrated by Trust staff. Under the Freedom of Information Act, I request the following information:

- 1. The names of the vaccinators?
- 2. Their professional qualifications?
- 3. Their insurance details?
- 4. Contact details for the vaccinators or their representatives?

RESPONSE

St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust and Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust became a single legal entity known as Mersey and West Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust on 1st July 2023, as such parts of the response may be provided in two sections relating to the hospital sites of each of the legacy organisations.

1. The names of the vaccinators?

Section 40: personal information

This would constitute personal information and would be considered exempt under Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act. Section 40 provides an exemption to disclosure, where disclosure would contravene any of the Data Protection principles. Where the information relates to an individual who can be identified from that data, or from that data when added to other information, in the possession of, or likely to come into the possession of any other individual, this meets the definition of personal data as defined by the Data Protection Act. In such circumstances, Section 40 confers an absolute exemption on disclosure.

This information would be available via a Subject Access Request (SAR), please see contact details below for the relevant teams that can assist with your request for medical records, which varies by sites visited.

Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust sites - <u>soh-tr.access-to-</u>health@merseywestlancs.nhs.uk

St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust sites - AccessAndDisclosure@sthk.nhs.uk

2. Their professional qualifications?

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3. Their insurance details?

They would be indemnified under the relevant NHS Resolution Clinical Negligence Scheme for Trusts (CNST) indemnity scheme.

4. Contact details for the vaccinators or their representatives?

Please find contact details for the Trust's Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS) below.

Email: PALS@sthk.nhs.uk

Telephone: 0151 430 1376

Webform: https://sthk.merseywestlancs.nhs.uk/contact-us