

Date: 17 April 2024
Our ref: K: FOI/Ref: 2024-000140
Email: nss.pcf-foi@nhs.scot

Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information Reference: FOI-2024-000140 – Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy (HCM).

I refer to your freedom of information request that we received on 26 March 2024. We have now completed the search of our records and can provide you with the following information:

Please can you supply information on the number of familial hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HCM) panel tests undertaken in Scotland by year in 2022, 2023 and to date in 2024 please?

Under section 17 of the Freedom of Information Scotland Act, 2002 (FOISA) an organisation does not have to provide that information if it does not hold that information. NHS National Services Scotland (NSS) does not hold the requested information. Genomic testing for HCM is carried out in the NHS Lothian genomics lab, I would suggest that you contact foi@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk for any information that they hold in relation to your request, as under the terms of FOISA we are unable to transfer this request on your behalf.

Please also confirm the genes tested for in the HCM panel and also which laboratory in Scotland performs these tests.

Under Section 25 of the Freedom of Information Scotland Act 2002 (FOISA), NSS are exempt from supplying the requested information, as this information is already publicly available. The genes tested are listed on page 33 of the R&ID genomics test directory:

<https://www.genomics.nhs.scot/wp-content/uploads/NSD611-003.20-SSNGM-Test-Directory-Rare-Inherited-Disease-v4.pdf>

I trust you will find the information of assistance and if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

If you are unhappy with any aspect of how we have dealt with your request, you can make representations to us asking us to review the handling of your request. Please write to the

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or at the email address nss.foi@nhs.scot within 40 working days of the date of this correspondence.



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If after a review you are still unhappy, you also have the right to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at Kinburn Castle, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS, or via their [online application form](#).

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me at the above address.

Yours sincerely



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