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I am responding to your request for information received 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
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**Chief Executive Officer:** Lorraine Sunduza  
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**Request:** We're interested in finding out how the Trust currently manages your clinical photography, and I am hoping you can please help by providing information on the following:

**Question 1: Do you have a solution to capture clinical photography?**

**Answer:** The Trust has reviewed question 1 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

*Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—  
(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and  
(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to them.*

East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not provide clinical photography services. The Trust is therefore unable to provide a response.

**Question 2: If so which solution and what media types does it support?**

**Answer:** The Trust has reviewed question 2 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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**Question 3: Does this solution include clinical staff capturing photographs as part of the patient care episode? e.g. Nursing staff photographing bedsores during an inpatient stay (per the current safeguarding guidelines) or A&E capturing photographs of injuries on a night shift.**

**Answer:** The Trust has reviewed question 3 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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**Question 4: Is this a patient centric solution that clinicians can access at the point of care to review photographs or other digital content e.g. videos.?**

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**Question 5: If you do have a solution, when does your existing contract come to an end?**

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**Question 6: How much did the solution cost and what are the annual maintenance charges?**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed questions 6 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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**Question 7: If you do not have a solution, how do you current manage this?**

**Answer:** The Trust has reviewed question 7 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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