

Freedom of Information Request: 0317 2019/20

1. Is your authority's supply chain checked for adherence to Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015?

Yes

Please note that we are not a local authority but a NHS Foundation Trust.

No

Not Sure

Other (please specify)

2. In the calendar year 2017, how many suppliers in your supply chain did Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 apply to?

We do not record this information.

3. In the calendar year 2018, how many suppliers in your supply chain did Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 apply to?

Please see above answer

4. How often are due diligence checks carried out in compliance with Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act and by whom (job title)?

We do not explicitly record through an ongoing monitoring process whether the suppliers are subject to and have complied with S54 of the Modern Slavery Act. A one-off due diligence check was carried out in 2018 by a member of the Procurement team.

The standard NHS contract contains the following clauses:

"1.1.1 it shall: (i) comply with all relevant Law and Guidance and shall use Good Industry Practice to ensure that there is no slavery or human trafficking in its supply chains; and (ii) notify the Authority immediately if it becomes aware of any actual or suspected incidents of slavery or human trafficking in its supply chains;

1.1.2 it shall at all times conduct its business in a manner that is consistent with any anti-slavery Policy of the Authority and shall provide to the Authority any reports or other information that the Authority may request as evidence of the Supplier's compliance with this Clause 10.1.22 and/or as may be requested or otherwise required by the Authority in accordance with its anti-slavery Policy"

5. Which area of your supply chain do you think is particularly vulnerable to risks of modern slavery and human trafficking and what steps have you taken to manage these risks?

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6. How compliant is your authority to enforcing the requirements of section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015?

Full compliance

Partial / some compliance

Not sure

Very little compliance

No compliance

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7. Have there been any reports of incidents of Modern Slavery in your supply chain. If your answer is "yes" please provide details.

Yes

No

Not sure

Not applicable

If "Yes" provide details here:

8. How well do you think staff managing contracts on behalf of your authority are trained to spot and tackle Modern Slavery within your supply chain?

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9. Name of Authority

University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust

10. Does your authority publish a Modern Slavery statement? If "Yes", please provide a link to your Modern Slavery Statement otherwise enter "Not applicable" or "Not sure"

Yes, please see: <https://www.uhb.nhs.uk/modern-slavery-statement.htm>