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Dear [REDACTED]

Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence dated 18 June 2014 requesting information on the Equality and Diversity Impact Statements relating to the RNFT Policy and Protocols since 1999. Your enquiry has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I can confirm that the Department holds some information within the scope of your request and a copy of the 2010 Equality and Diversity Impact Assessment Records is attached to this correspondence. I should explain that we do not have any records prior to this date and the Equality and Diversity Impact Assessment Records policy is due to be reviewed in 2016.

The personal information of the officer completing the report has been withheld under section 40(2) of the FOI Act (personal data).

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Yours sincerely

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