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25 September 2019

Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information request (ref: FOI_19-301)

Thank you for your request of 13 September 2019 for the following information:

‘What does the UEA medical school teach to medical students on the illness ME/CFS otherwise known as chronic fatigue syndrome, in particular:

**How does the university define chronic fatigue syndrome?*

**How does it classify chronic fatigue syndrome?*

**What does it teach about it? a summary of the details please.*

**How many hours are devoted to teaching on this as part of the average medical student’s education as they journey to becoming a dr?’*

On this occasion it is not possible to provide the requested information. In line with your rights under section 1(1)(a) of the Act to be informed whether information is held, we confirm that the University does not hold any of the information requested. Chronic Fatigue syndrome (CFS) is not taught by the Norwich Medical School to medical students.

We are sorry we cannot provide the data you requested, but trust this letter explains our position. If you are unhappy with our response, you have the right of appeal against this decision. If you wish to appeal, please set out in writing your reasons for appealing and send to the above address. You must appeal within 40 working days of the date of this letter. In line with section 5.3 of the UK Government’s Freedom of Information Act Code of Practice, we are not obliged to accept internal reviews after this date.

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Yours sincerely

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