

[REDACTED]

17 April 2015

Dear [REDACTED]

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information request (Our ref: FOI\_15-071)**

We have now considered your request of 01 April 2015 for the following:

- 1. Are you aware of students at your University taking study drugs such as Ritalin and Modafinil to enhance their performance levels in exams?*
- 2. Has this University, since the year 2012, considered drug testing it's students before they sit exams, to test for drugs such as Ritalin or Modafinil?*
- 3. If you have not yet considered drug testing students for drugs such as Ritalin and Modafinil, do you have any plans to do so?*

Pursuant to your rights under section 1(1)(a) of Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) to be informed whether information is held, and further to our phone conversation of 16 April, this letter is to formally advise you that we do not hold the requested information.

Further to our phone conversation of 16 April, we can advise that UEA does not have any centrally held recorded information to indicate that any students are taking study drugs such as Ritalin and Modafinil to enhance their performance. Nor does UEA have any centrally held recorded information that it has, since 2012, considered testing students for such drugs prior to exams nor have any plans to do so.

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 our decision within 60 calendar days of the date of this letter. Any appeal received after that date will not be considered nor acknowledged. This policy has been reviewed and approved by the Information Commissioner's Office.

You also have a subsequent right of appeal to the Information Commissioner whose [contact details](#)<sup>1</sup> can be found on their website.

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<sup>1</sup> [https://ico.org.uk/Global/contact\\_us](https://ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us)

Please quote our reference given at the head of this letter in all correspondence.

Yours sincerely

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