In regard to your request for information under the Freedom of Information act detailed here.

Your Questions:

1) Whether you use a software application to assist with job planning for consultants and specialty doctors
2) Whether the software application is owned by the NHS or by a third party
3) The name of the software application
4) (If the software is provided by a third party) - the name of the third party
5) (If the software is provided by a third party) when the contract with the third party is due for renewal (or expires)

Our Answers

1. Public Health Wales uses the Medical Appraisal and Revalidation System (MARS)
2. The software has been developed by the revalidation support unit (RSU), Wales Deanery, Cardiff University and is copyrighted between the Deanery and Cardiff University.
3. MARS
4. See answer 2
5. The service is provided under a Service Level Agreement between the Wales Deanery and the Welsh Government, this SLA is reviewed annually

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of the decision, you should write to the Corporate Complaints Manager, Public Health Wales NHS Trust, Unit 1 Charnwood Court, Heol Billingsley, Parc Nantgarw Cardiff, CF15 7QZ.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint or review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:
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