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Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), which was received by the Human Tissue Authority (HTA) on 3 May 2018. Your email outlined the following request:

Hello,

I would like to know if / how much the IA's who work for the HTA are paid.

Is the payment made to them by the HTA or by a different source.

Kind Regards

Response

Independent Assessors (IA) are trained and accredited by the Human Tissue Authority (HTA), but are not directly employed by the HTA.

There is variation in practice across the UK in relation to the payment of IAs. For example, many IAs are volunteers who do not receive any payment. Some IAs are not paid but can claim reasonable and agreed travel expenses, however, not all choose to do so.

We are aware that some IAs receive payment from the transplant unit with which they are affiliated; in Wales and Northern Ireland, this is £150 per assessment. We do not currently hold information about how much payments are elsewhere in the UK.

The HTA is not funded to provide any payment to IAs to undertake the role, and therefore no payment is made by the HTA.

Further information

If you are unhappy with the way the HTA has handled your request for information in this case, you may in the first instance ask us for an internal review by writing to us at the above postal or email address.

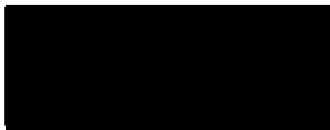
If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have the right to appeal directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision, at the address below. There is no charge for making an appeal.

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire SK9 5AF

Telephone: 08456 30 60 60 or 01625 54 57 45

Website: www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

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