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Dear ,

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

We are now pleased to respond to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

You asked:

1. How many ECG machines in total do you currently have in?

We have approximately 50 ECG machines on site, not possible to give a breakdown of their exact location

- a. A&E**
- b. Cardiology**
- c. The Theatres and Anaesthetics**
- d. Hyper Acute / Critical Care / ICU**
- e. Geriatric Medicine**
- f. Community Clinics where operated by the Trust**
- g. Across all remaining wards**

2. Who is the manufacturer of the 12 lead ECG machines you currently use?

GE Medical

3. What is the average age of ECG machines when they are replaced?

Between 8 to 10 years

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4. How many ECG machines have you purchased in the last 5 years?

25

5. How many replacement ECG leads do you purchase a year?

Coiled Patient Cable – average 10 per year

Complete 10 lead Electrode Sets – 2 sets per year

6. How much do you spend on replacement ECG leads in the last 5 years?

£12,500

7. Are the ECG machines purchased through a framework agreement (NHS Supply Chain, NHS Shared Business Services etc.) or direct from the manufacturer?


Yes, the NHSSC

8. Are the ECG leads purchased through a framework agreement (NHS Supply Chain, NHS Shared Business Services etc.) or direct from the manufacturer?

Direct from the manufacturer

I hope you find this information useful, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 256335. If we do not hear from you within 28 days we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



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