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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:

In order to better understand the dynamics of the UK hearing aid market I'm submitting a FOI request for data on which manufacturer's hearing aids Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, or any predecessor organisation, has purchased and dispensed over the past 5 years.

Ideally I'd like this data on a monthly basis and described on a £ basis. An example data point might be:

"Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust spent £20,000 on Sonova hearing aids purchased in November 2014"

If this is a new contract or a new supplier please can you provide me with a short list of suppliers that bid on this service/support contract?

Please see below for the breakdown for the last 5 years, split between Oticon and Phonak. All figures are inclusive of VAT. We are not able to provide this information on a month by month basis.

14/15 - Oticon - £28,888.32 – Phonak - £300,246.90
13/14 - Oticon - £27,994.56 – Phonak - £266,637.12
12/13 - Oticon - £22,638.66 – Phonak - £299,414.08
11/12 - Oticon - £305,492.94 – Phonak - £23,115.25
10/11 - Oticon - £307,466.28

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,

Chairman: Robert Armstrong
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Acting Chief Executive

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