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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:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, please can you answer the following questions:

- 1. Does your trust use/perform Viscosupplementation injections?***
- 2. If so, how much does your trust spend each year on viscosupplementation?***
- 3. Which (brand) Viscosupplement do you use?***

To make your research easier, I have listed all commonly used viscosupplements that you can cross reference:

***Arthrum H
Orthovisc
Crespine Gel
Durolane
Euflexxa
Fermathron
Ostenil
Ostenil Plus
RenehaVis
Suplasyn
Synocrom
Synocrom Mini
Synolis
Monovisc
Synopsis
Synvisc (Hylan G-F20)
Synvisc ONE (Hylan G-F20)***

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- 1) We use it only for private patients as GMMMG do not recommend its use
- 2) There are no cost implications to the Trust
- 3) Synvisc One for hips and knees, Ostenil for ankles and toes

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,



Andrew Foster
Chief Executive

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