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Date Received: 27th January 2025

Response Due: 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025

## Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

- 1. Does your organisation use/perform Viscosupplementation injections? As per GMMMG recommendations and NICE guidance, the Trust does not offer intra-articular Viscosupplementation injections. Further information on the product and its placement on the Do Not Prescribe (DNP) list is available at <u>https://gmmmg.nhs.uk/rag-category/adult/</u>
- If so, how much did your organisation spend on Viscosupplementation between the period of 01/01/2019 to 31/12/2019?
  N/A.
- If your organisation used Viscosupplementation between the period 01/01/2019 to 31/12/2019, which brand(s) Viscosupplement did you use? N/A.

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
- Ostenil Mini
- RenehaVis
- Suplasyn
- Synocrom
- Synocrom Mini
- Synolis
- Monovisc
- Synopsis
- Synvisc (Hylan GF-20)
- Synvisc One (Hylan GF-20)

## 4. How many units of each brand of Viscosupplement did you use?

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 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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Gary Masterman Deputy Chief Pharmacist

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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 our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

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

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