

# Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals

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Date: 28<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold part of the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

**1. Current logistics and supply chain model**

- a. **How much space (in sq ft) does your organisation currently use for inventory storage of medical devices and consumables (please indicate whether this is on-site or off-site)?**

This information is not centrally recorded.

- b. **Does your organisation make use of consolidated logistics hubs or off-site storage facilities for medical devices and/or consumables?**

No.

- c. **Is this done in partnership with other NHS organisations?**

i. **If so, does your organisation run this or is it run by another organisation?**

ii. **If so, which organisation?**

N/A.

- d. **How much does your organisation spend on medical devices and consumables through NHS Supply Chain?**

Please redirect this question to NHS Supply Chain at [FOI@supplychain.nhs.uk](mailto:FOI@supplychain.nhs.uk).

- i. **What is this spend as a proportion of your organisation's total spend on medical devices and consumables?**

This information is not available due to the above redirection.

**2. Delivery and stock management**

- a. What systems (if any) does your Trust use to manage inventory and logistics for medical devices and consumables?**

Medusa for Medical Device database/inventory.

- b. Are these systems integrated with NHS Supply Chain or other regional or national systems?**

No.

**3. Strategic priorities**

- a. Is your Trust actively exploring or piloting any new logistics models, technologies, or partnerships to improve supply chain efficiency? If so, please give any details.**

No.

**Clarification:** Are you specially asking about NHSSC (NHS Supply Chain) in Question 3a?

**Response:** No, in 3a we are referring to any new logistics models, technologies, or partnerships to improve supply chain efficiency.

- b. Would your organisation be open to participating in a pilot of an alternative logistics model (i.e. one offering consolidated supply, enhanced stock visibility, and just-in-time delivery capabilities)?**

No.

**4. Additional**

- a. Who in your organisation is responsible for logistics and supply chain operations? Please provide name and contact details where possible.**

The Trust has a Supply Chain manager. We are unable to release the names of staff that are NOT in a public facing role and are below AfC Band 8a.

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- b. Who in your organisation is responsible for procurement decision-making relating to medical technology and consumable supplies? Please provide name and contact details where possible.**

There is not one sole person responsible for procurement as it involves multiple departments.

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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