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Response Due: 12<sup>th</sup> August 2025

Date: 7<sup>th</sup> August 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 15<sup>th</sup> July 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:

**We'd really appreciate your response in relation to the below questions, concerning the custom orthopaedic implant requests that may or may not have been seen from the orthopaedic department between 2024- 2025.**

**1. What was the total number of custom implant requests, specifically in cases relating to hip, knee and/or shoulder arthroplasty?**

196 including discarded, lower limb and upper limbs.

**2. For custom hip implants, what was the proportion of acetabular/femoral implants manufactured?**

2%.

**3. What was the total spend for these custom implant requests?**

£1,497,898 based off discarded, lower limb and upper limbs.

**4. What suppliers were used to manufacture these custom implants?**

- 3d Lifeprints UK Ltd
- Adler Ortho UK Ltd
- Bonesupport UK Ltd
- Depuy
- Hospital Innovations Ltd
- Ideal Med Ltd

- Implantcast UK Ltd
- Johnson & Johnson Medical Ltd
- Kls Martin UK Ltd
- Lima Orthopaedics UK Ltd
- Materialise UK
- Medartis Ltd
- Ortho Solutions Ltd
- Stryker UK Ltd
- Symbios UK Ltd
- United Orthopaedics Ltd

**5. Is there a further need for custom implant manufacturers that could support the department?**

Yes, we may require further assistance with customs from other companies, however we have internal approval processes in place for introduction of new companies

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,



Hazel Hendriksen  
Divisional Director of Operations for Specialist Services

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