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Date Received: 25th September 2025

Response Due: 23rd October 2025

Date: 22nd October 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 25th September 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do not hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

This is an information request relating to the cost of drugs going out of date.

Please include the following information, broken down by the following financial years: 2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25.

1. What is the total value of drugs that have been disposed of due to going past their expiry date in each year.

The Trust is unable to provide the value of drugs that have been disposed of due to going past their expiry date. The report which the Trust can generate does not give the reason for disposal therefore the drug could have been out of date, damaged, or due to other reasons.

2. The top five drugs disposed of in each year measured by the value of the drugs disposed. The Trust is unable to provide this information as the report which the Trust can generate only lists the total value of drugs disposed of, and not the names of the drugs.

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,

Gary Masterman

Associate Director of Pharmacy (Governance Assurance)

PLEASE NOTE:

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

Helpline number: 0303 123 111