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Response Due: 16th August 2024

Date: 15th August 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 19th July 2024, 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:

Information requested in respect of Peripherally Inserted Central Catheters (PICC)

1a. Please can you kindly provide a purchasing export report detailing the following relevant to peripherally inserted central catheters:

- **Manufacturer**
- **Brand**
- **Product Code**
- **Description**
- **Volume (in pieces)**

Please could you provide this information for all supply routes (direct, NHS Supply Chain or other distributor) for the following time periods and name the files according to the year:

- **1st January 2022 – 31st December 2022**
- **1st January 2023 – 31st December 2023**
- **1st January 2024 – 31st June 2024**

Please see attached.

1b. Do you use any of the following tip navigation systems and how many of each do you currently have within the Trust:

- **BD Sherlock 3CG**
- **Vygon Pilot**

- Other (please state)

1 Teleflex VPS Tip Navigate System.

1c. In percentage terms, approximately what proportion of Peripherally Inserted Central Catheters (PICC) placements per annum are being performed:

- Under fluoroscopy
- At the bed side
- Other (please state)

99% of all PICC insertions are carried out at a bedside. There have been 9 insertions carried out in theatre since 2018, these were exceptional circumstances.

1d. Which clinical area(s) or clinical roles insert PICC lines in your organisation?

All PICCs are inserted by the Vascular Access service. Other services have variable knowledge and competence. However, all PICC stock placement equipment sit with the Vascular Access service.

Information requested in respect of Midline Catheters

Question 2a

Please can you kindly provide a purchasing export report detailing the following relevant to midline catheters:

- Manufacturer
- Brand
- Product Code
- Description
- Volume (in pieces)

Please could you provide this information for all supply routes (direct, NHS Supply Chain or other distributor) for the following time periods and name the files according to the year:

- 1st January 2022 – 31st December 2022
- 1st January 2023 – 31st December 2023
- 1st January 2024 – 31st June 2024

Please see attached.

Question 2b

Which clinical area(s) or clinical roles insert Midline catheters lines in your organisation?

The Vascular Access service mostly insert Midline catheter lines, however anaesthetists have also inserted these, this is purely ad-hoc and very occasionally.

Information requested in respect of Implanted Access Ports and Port Access Needles

Question 3a

Please can you kindly provide a purchasing export report detailing the following relevant to implantable ports and port access needles:

- Manufacturer
- Brand
- Product Code
- Description
- Volume (in pieces)

Please could you provide this information for all supply routes (direct, NHS Supply Chain or other distributor) for the following time periods and name the files according to the year:

- **1st January 2022 – 31st December 2022**
- **1st January 2023 – 31st December 2023**
- **1st January 2024 – 31st June 2024**

Please see attached.

Question 3b

Which clinical area(s) or clinical roles implant ports in your organisation?

Currently not a service offered at the Trust however the vascular access service have had some training and implanted some devices, though not on a regular basis.

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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