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Date: 27th February 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, please can you answer the following questions:

1. Does your organisation use/perform Viscosupplementation injections?

In line with Greater Manchester Medicines Management Group guidance we do not use on our NHS patients.

2. If so, how much did your organisation spend on Viscosupplementation between the period of 01/01/2022 to 31/12/2022?

N/A.

3. If your organisation used Viscosupplementation between the period 01/01/2022 to 31/12/2022, 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
- RenehaVis
- Suplasyn
- Synocrom
- Synocrom Mini
- Synolis
- Monovisc
- Synopsis
- Synvisc (Hylan GF-20)
- Synvisc One (Hylan GF-20)
- Cingal

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

N/A.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 28 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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The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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