

Ref: FOI/2024/9599

Date Received: 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Response Due: 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Date: 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 6<sup>th</sup> February 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:

- **Does the Trust currently complete Optical Biometry for the purpose of selecting an Intraocular Lens choice for Cataract Surgery? [YES/NO]**  
Yes
- **Which department for the Trust is responsible for carrying out the Optical Biometry? [e.g. Outpatients, Ophthalmology, Other]**  
Ophthalmology
- **Is there a specified role within this department that is responsible for Optical Biometry? [e.g. Consultant Ophthalmologist, Registrar, Orthoptist, Nurse, etc.]**  
Nurse
- **How many biometry calculations does the department complete during an average week? [Number]**  
30-40
- **How many pieces of equipment does the department use for Optical Biometry, and what is the manufacturer, model and age? [Please list these, including Manufacturer, Model, and Age of Equipment]**  
Zeiss IOL, master 500 - 8-9 years old
- **Is this equipment owned, leased or rented by the department? [Owned / Leased / Rented]**  
Owned

• **If the equipment is Leased or Rented, how long is this contract, and when does it come to an end? Is there an option to extend the contract? Is this contract linked to the purchase of any related consumables, e.g. IOLs? [Length], [Date], [YES / NO], [RELATED CONSUMABLE?]**

N/A

• **Does the Trust / department replace these after a fixed time period, and if so, what is this time period in years? [YES / NO], [Years]**

No

• **Does the Trust / Department currently have a service contract in place for this equipment with either the equipment manufacturer or another maintenance provider? [MANUFACTURER / 3rd PARTY / NO]**

Manufacturer

• **Is the Trust currently in the buying cycle for new biometry equipment? [YES / NO]**

No

• **If Yes, when is this procurement exercise expected to take place? [Expected Date]**

N/A

• **If No, does the Trust plan to start the buying cycle within the next 3 years? [YES / NO]**

No

• **Does the Trust link the Biometry measurements to an electronic patient record (PACS or EHR system), or are these stored on the equipment locally and printed? [EHR SYSTEM / PAPER RECORDS / OTHER]**

Other

• **If EHR, which electronic patient record system does the Trust use? [e.g. MediSoft, HIVE, FORUM, etc.]**

Medisight

• **Can these electronic biometry measurements be accessed in the department only, or in the Operating Theatre during surgery? [Department Only / Operating Theatre / N/A]**

Operating Theatre

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  
Director of Operations and Performance

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