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Date: 1st September 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

I am writing to you due to an enquiry I have regarding information on your use of cannulas in your trust.

- 1. How many Adult or Paediatric cannulation procedures (Peripheral Cannula passed) were done in your trust in the past financial year? This can be estimated figure (from number of cannulas purchased) or actual if any such records are kept by the trust**

258,748

- 2. Do you use any form of prepacked cannulation kits that provide all appropriate equipment needed? These are manufactured outside the hospital and delivered as one whole pack, or the items are purchased / used separately.**

The Trust use prepacked packs for blood culture collections, however not in way of cannulation kits.

- 3. Which type of cannula is used / preferred at your trust or hospital? There are two types – one with safety mechanism E.g., BD or Vygon or ones without safety. The safety cannulas are designed to prevent needle stick injuries.**

The Trust have standardised to the BD Pro Safety Cannulation Needles in all areas except, X ray and cancer care suite which use: B Braun Introcan 3 both of these use safety mechanisms to prevent needle stick injuries

4. Does the trust / hospital use any particular cannula more than others and if so what is the name of manufacturer(s) and breakdown of their supply e-g leading manufactures are BD, Vygon, etc

BD pro Safety Cannulation Needles is standardised throughout the trust other than X ray and Cancer care suite.

5. Is there any breakdown of cannulas used by their size / gauge (e-g 22G Blue / 20G pink) ?

Safety Peripheral Intravenous Cannula Ported With Wings Blue 22G x 25mm PUR
 Safety Peripheral Intravenous Cannula Ported With Wings Pink 20G x 32mm PUR
 Safety Peripheral Intravenous Cannula Ported With Wings Green 18G x 45mm PUR
 Safety Peripheral Intravenous Cannula Ported With Wings Grey 16G x 45mm PUR
 Safety Peripheral Intravenous Cannula Ported With Wings Orange 14G x 45mm PUR

6. Do you use the NHS supply chain or purchase these cannulas / cannulation packs directly independent suppliers / distributors or companies within your trust? If so, please can we be provided with the supplier(s) / distributor (s) name(s) and breakdown of items purchase in last financial year

All cannulas are currently purchased via NHSSC
 Please see the attached the break down of cannulas ordered in the last financial year 2022/2023.

7. What is the total number of hospital beds you have within your trust and its occupied capacity?

687 beds in the trust

8. What is the total number of annual attendance in the following departments:

i) Accident and Emergency

Attendance Type	Total Attendances 22/23
Type 1	96,063
Type 3	5,368
Leigh Walk In Centre	51,313
Total	152,744

ii) Surgical Assessments Unit

Ward	Admissions 22/23
Surgical Ambulatory Emergency Care	2,879
Surgical Assessment Lounge	3,410
Total	6,289

iii) Medical Day Unit / Medical Admission Units

Ward	Admissions 22/23
Same Day Emergency Care	7,080
Medical Assessment Unit	3,952

Total	11,032
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9. What is the annual budget for clinical waste disposal?

£715,311

10. Do you have any figures in weight (tons) of clinical waste disposed of by your trust?

2022/23 – 698.46 tonnes

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,



Tabitha Gardner
Chief Finance Officer

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