

Ref: 23-305

Freedom of Information Request

16 May 2023

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

We can confirm that we hold some of the information you are requesting

Regarding Hand Hygiene products purchased for the use by staff and patients, for the financial year 2021- 2022 & 2022-2023.

Please include the following data:

- The product order code as detailed on: Welcome NHS Supply Chain Online Catalogue (for example VJT119)
- The product full description
- The total number of units (eaches) purchased.
- The total spent for the periods stated above.

The product categories are as follows:

- Hand Wash (liquids, Gels or Foams)
- Alcohol-Based Hand Disinfectants (liquids, Gels or Foams)
- Moisturising Products (liquids, Gels or Foams)
- Alcohol-Free / Low Alcohol hand sanitiser products (liquids, Gels or Foams)
- Hand protection/barrier creams/lotions/ointments, antimicrobial emollients, and skin emollients
- Hand wipes with antiseptic qualities either individually wrapped or other

Category	FY 2021/2022 spend	FY 2022/2023 spend
Hand wash (liquids, gels or	£54,804.55	£45,313.40
foams)		
Alcohol-Based Hand	£23,874.17	£22,466.58
Disinfectants (liquids, gels or		
foams)		

Moisturising products (liquids, gels or foams)	£2,856.15	£2,660.02
Alcohol-free/low alcohol hand sanitiser products (liquids, gels or foams)	£0.00	£32.16
Hand protection/barrier creams/lotions/ointments, antimicrobial emollients, and skin emollients	Not applicable	Not applicable
Hand wipes with antiseptic qualities either individually wrapped or other	£16,024.84	£15,572.82
Total	£97,559.71	£86,044.97

Please note we have provided aggregated spend for both financial years against the Framework, broken down by category of spend (Lots). We have not provided volume information nor further breakdown by product code, as this is commercially sensitive information and will not be shared at an organisational level. Section 43 of the FOI Act provides that information is exempt if its disclosure would, or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person. Therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

Please also note that the category for Hand protection/barrier creams/lotions/ointments, antimicrobial emollients, and skin emollients is marked as Not Applicable as we do not have a Lot within the NHSSC framework of a similar title, nor any data for these descriptions.

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Data Protection Officer
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
Bristol
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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