

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 21-090

9 March 2021

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 do hold the information you are requesting

- 1. When are your current Phaco and Vitreoretinal (VR) equipment and associated consumables contracts due to expire?**
- 2. How many a) cataract procedures and b) vitreoretinal procedures carried out in 2019? Which hospital sites performed these cases?**
- 3. Will you plan to use capital or revenue budget to fund the next contract for Phaco and VR equipment, ie capital purchase or consumables based agreement?**
- 4. How many procedures per year (Phaco and VR) will be included within the next contract award, and for how many years?**
- 5. Do you plan to trial potential new suppliers in the next twelve months? If so when do you expect evaluations to take place?**
- 6. Who is the procurement manager responsible for this contract?**
- 7. Who is the clinical lead for ophthalmology?**
- 8. What is the total spend on your Phaco machine procedure packs in 2019?**
- 9. What is the total spend on your VR machine procedure packs in 2019?**
- 10. Are there any other products included within the scope of the current Phaco and VR equipment contracts and if so, which?**

University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust has a procurement and tendering process in place which governs the procurement of services and is managed via the Bristol and Weston Purchasing Consortium. For further information on the services they provide, please visit the BWPC website <https://www.nbt.nhs.uk/bristol-weston-nhs-purchasing-consortium/contact-bwpc>

University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust ensure that competitive tenders are invited for the supply of goods, materials and manufactured articles and for the rendering of services including all forms of management consultancy services and for the design, construction and maintenance of building and engineering works.

For information on contracts that have or are currently being tendered, and for all current

opportunities, please visit our e-tendering portal CTM <https://uk.eu-supply.com/login.asp?B=UK> it is free to suppliers and once registered you will be able to respond for requests for quotations and tenders.

For further information or for details of our spend over £25,000, please visit our 'about us' pages of our Trust website <https://www.uhbw.nhs.uk/p/about-us/what-we-spend-and-how-we-spend-it>.

If, after this you have further questions please resubmit a detailed Freedom of Information request and we will where allowable, obtain the information for you.

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:

Director of Corporate Governance
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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