

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 21-097

3 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
 - **The name of the supplier/s who service your weighing devices (baby scales, chair scales, floor scales, column scales, patient transfer scales, bench scales for example)**
 - **How many weighing devices are covered by this contract?**
 - **What standard (or average) price per scale do you pay for servicing**
 - **The date that the servicing contract ends.**
 - **The value of total spend on weighing devices excluding servicing in the last 3 years split by year**
 - **The value of spend by weighing device supplier in the last 3 years split by year.**
- 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 <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.

• **Do you have any weighing devices integrated directly or indirectly to an electronic patient records system (EPR)?**

No

• **Which electronic patient records system do you use/plan to use?**

SystemC, Medway

• **If you haven't done so already, do you intend to integrate weighing scales to an EPR in the next 12-24 months?**

No

• **Do you use Welch Allen Vital signs monitors in the Trust, if so, how many and are any of these connected to weighing devices?**

512, they are not connected to any weighing scales.

• **How many incidents have you reported in the last 3 years which relate to an incorrect dose of vancomycin, gentamicin and alteplase?**

Vancomycin 26

Gentamicin 27

Alteplase 1

• **How many incidents have you recorded in the last 3 years where an incorrect weight of the patient is mentioned in the report?**

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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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