

**Freedom of Information Request**

**Ref: 24-590**

7<sup>th</sup> August 2024

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

**Information requested in respect of Peripherally Inserted Central Catheters (PICC)**

**Question 1a**

**Please can you kindly provide a purchasing export report detailing the following relevant to peripherally inserted central catheters:**

- **Manufacturer**
- **Brand**
- **Product Code**
- **Description**
- **Volume (in pieces)**

**Please could you provide this information for all supply routes (direct, NHS Supply Chain or other distributor) for the following time periods and name the files according to the year:**

- **1st January 2022 – 31st December 2022**
- **1st January 2023 – 31st December 2023**
- **1st January 2024 – 31st June 2024**

Please see the attached document.

**Question 1b**

**Do you use any of the following tip navigation systems**

- **BD Sherlock 3CG - Yes**
- **Vygon Pilot - Yes**
- **Other (please state)**

**and how many of each do you currently have within the Trust:**

BD Sherlock x3

Vygon Pilot x1

### Question 1c

**In percentage terms, approximately what proportion of PICC placements per annum are being performed:**

- **Under fluoroscopy** - 0%
- **At the bed side** - 60%
- **Other (please state) Outpatient clinic** - 40%

### Question 1d

**Which clinical area(s) or clinical roles insert PICC lines in your organisation?**

All PICC's are inserted by the vascular access team. All placers are nursing staff.

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.

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Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Team**

