

Ref: 25-058

Freedom of Information Request

29 January 2025

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

Please provide information on the following:

Disposal of medicines

Please provide, for each of the past 5 calendar years, any available data on the quantity of medicines disposed of across the trust, because they had passed their expiry date. Please see the attached document.

Disposal of single-use medical supplies

Please share, for each of the past 5 calendar years, the estimated quantity and cost of single-use medical supplies that were disposed of without use, including the main causes for their non-utilisation (e.g., expiry, packaging damage).

We do not hold this information.

Impact of overordering or over stocking on waste

Please provide, for each of the past 5 calendar years, any internal assessments or audits regarding the impact of overordering or overstocking on waste levels across the Trust, including details of corrective actions taken to minimise waste from excess inventory.

We do not hold this information.

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
BS1 3NU

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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