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Email only

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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 3rd August 2023 in relation to County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (the Trust). Your request has been processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and I am now able to provide you with a response.

Your request was in relation to Cannulas and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

- 1. How many Adult or Paediatric cannulation procedures (Peripheral Cannula passed) were done in your trust in the past financial year? This can be estimated figure (from number of cannulas purchased) or actual if any such records are kept by the trust**

66,905

- 2. Do you use any form of prepacked cannulation kits that provide all appropriate equipment needed? These are manufactured outside the hospital and delivered as one whole pack, or the items are purchased / used separately.**

No

3. Which type of cannula is used / preferred at your trust or hospital? There are two types – one with safety mechanism E.g., BD or Vygon or ones without safety. The safety cannulas are designed to prevent needle stick injuries.

With Safety Mechanism

4. Does the trust / hospital use any particular cannula more than others and if so what is the name of manufacturer(s) and breakdown of their supply e-g leading manufactures are BD, Vygon, etc?

B Braun - 40, 40,246 purchased

5. Is there any breakdown of cannulas used by their size / gauge (e-g 22G Blue / 20G pink)?

Pink	- 25,430
Blue	- 19,438
Yellow	- 12,605
Green	- 6,935
Grey	- 1,841
Orange	- 356

6. Do you use the NHS supply chain or purchase these cannulas / cannulation packs directly independent suppliers / distributors or companies within your trust? If so, please can we be provided with the supplier(s) / distributor (s) name(s) and breakdown of items purchase in last financial year

Supply Chain

Please see the attached spreadsheet for the breakdown.

7. What is the total number of hospital beds you have within your trust and its occupied capacity?

As of 16-08-2023 we reported 917 beds (excluding Paed and ITU/HDU) with an occupancy of 90.3%

8. What is the total number of annual attendance in the following departments:

- i) Accident and Emergency

2022-23 Type 1 Attends 142975

ii) Surgical Assessments Unit

8189 Emergency admissions (Wards used D32, DDEC, UDEC, U14 & USAU)

iii) Medical Day Unit / Medical Admission Units

32111 Emergency Admissions (Wards used D34, DRAMAC, U04, UAMDU, URAMAC)

9. What is the annual budget for clinical waste disposal?

£360,000 per year

10. Do you have any figures in weight (tons) of clinical waste disposed of by your trust?

- Clinical waste for Alternative Treatment – 383 tonnes
- Offensive waste to EFW incineration (non—hazardous) – 316 tonnes
- Medicinal waste to EFW incineration (non—hazardous) – 36 tonnes
- Clinical waste to high temp incineration (HTI) – 83 tonnes

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log on the Trust's website. However please be assured that we anonymise all responses prior to adding them to the disclosure log.

I hope that this response has provided you with the information you had requested. If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or in writing. If however, you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been handled and would like an internal review, you will need to contact me in writing at the above address or via cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.

If you remain dissatisfied with our response following an internal review you have the right to appeal to The Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. More information is available on their website; www.ico.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

Corporate Records and Freedom of Information Facilitator