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Email only

20th October 2022

Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 19th October 2022 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 Endoscopes and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

1. Approximately how many endoscopes does the trust own?

164

2. What brands of endoscope does the Trust own?

Olympus

3. On average how old are the endoscopes that the Trust owns?

Various ages, as an average circa 7 years

4. Does the trust subcontract the maintenance of endoscopes and associated equipment such as stack systems and monitors to an outside provider(s) or does it maintain the devices using internal engineers

External

5. If an external provider(s) is used, what is the name of the company(s)?

Clearview for Endoscopes, Olympus for Stacks

6. If an external provider(s) is used, what was the value of the contract when awarded?

This cost is provided on the Trust Contract Register

<https://www.cddft.nhs.uk/our-services/non-clinical-services/procurement/information-for-suppliers.aspx>

7. If an external provider(s) is used, what is the contract type – PPM/ Fully-Comprehensive / Ad-hoc support?

Mixture of PPM and Fully Comprehensive

8. If an external provider(s) is used, what is the contract renewal date(s)?

Clearview June 2023 & Olympus Endo Stacks Various January, March & September 2023

9. Does your contract include the provision of loan endoscopes to temporarily replace endoscopes that are in for repair?

Yes

10. Please provide the name, email address and phone number of the role responsible for managing endoscopy equipment within the trust.

Endoscopy Service Manager, via switchboard – 01325 380100

Definitions

PPM

Planned Preventative Maintenance, ie annual service.

Fully Comprehensive

Maintenance contract covering cost of Planned Maintenance and cost of repair parts and labour of equipment

Ad-hoc support

Subcontracted work to engineering company on an informal basis.

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