

Date: **10 October 2019**

Our reference: **FOIRQ5454**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your request for information processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please see our response to your requests for information below:

Your Request and Our Response (in bold)

Please see our response to your following request for information from Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust:

1. *Is Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust currently under contract with regards to pressure area care mattresses? If so with who?* **No**
2. *When is this contract due to end?* **N/A**
3. *How many mattresses are in the contract?* **N/A**
4. *Is this a rental or a purchase contract?* **rent**
5. *Does the contract cover the servicing of these?* **N/A**
6. *Does this contract cover bariatric as well?* **N/A**
7. *Does the contract include beds?* **N/A**
8. *If not who is this contract held with?* **N/A**
9. *How many static (foam) mattresses on average does Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust purchase in a year?* **We do not purchase mattresses.**
10. *Which manufacturers products do you use and Is this under contract?* **The Trust does not centrally record this information and would require a member of staff to conduct a search of the systems and records to identify, locate and extract any relevant information. We would also need to check at least 5 x reports, which we have estimated to check just one report would take 2-3 hours to match the budget code, account code and other related points to collate the information specified.**

We would also need to contact 3 x suppliers that is likely to take 10 minutes each; however, we need to take account of how much time the suppliers would need to check their own records and respond within our set time-frames. We have estimated to contact just the suppliers would

take up to 4-5 days, which alone, would exceed the 18 hour cost limit stipulated for processing a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000). Your request is therefore exempt under Section 12 (Cost Limit) of the FOIA.

Section 12(1) of the FOIA allows the Trust to refuse a request where the cost of compliance is estimated to exceed the appropriate limit. The appropriate limit for Section 12 purposes is defined by The Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulation 2004 - SI 2004 No. 3244 ('Fees Regulation').

Under regulation 3 of the Fees Regulation the appropriate cost limit for the Trust is £450. The Fees Regulation also states that all authorities should calculate the time spent on the permitted activities at the flat rate of £25 per person, per hour. This means that the appropriate limit will be exceeded, if it would require more than 18 hours' work for the Trust to carry out the following activities in complying with the request:

- determining whether the information is held
- locating the information, or a document containing it;
- retrieving the information, or a document containing it; and
- extracting the information from a document containing it.

Who is the main Tissue Viability Nurse for the Trust? **Rachel Allaway and Sarah Carmichael - Please see note below ***

*11. Who is the main Procurement Manager for Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust – Diane Wilson – Please see note below**

12. Who would manage the procurement of mattresses within the trust? **Sonisa Anand – Please see note below ***

13. Does the Trust receive any decontamination service for beds and mattresses? **No – This service is in house.**

14. If so with who? **N/A**

Please note: * the named persons have refused consent for their above personal data to be used for direct marketing purposes.

The Privacy and Electronic Marketing Regulations state that an individual must consent to processing of their personal data for marketing purposes. Re-use of their data for this purpose without explicit consent would therefore be a breach of their rights under the Data Protection Act 2018.

The Trust takes breaches reported by our staff seriously and we will make relevant complaints, including referrals to the Information Commissioner, if necessary.

Please note:

The information provided under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is the information held on the date your request was received by the Trust.

We trust the information provided is sufficient and helped to answer any issues, concerns or questions. Should you have any further queries in relation to this request, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Team and quote the above reference number on any related correspondence.

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Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information team

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Your Rights

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You can also write to the Head of Quality & Safety at the following address:

Quality & Safety team
Great Ormond Street Hospital
LONDON
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You can contact the Information Commissioner's Office at the following address:

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