

Date: **12 June 2020**

Our reference: **FOIRQ5832**

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Your Request and Our Response (in Bold)

I should like to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act. My request concerns ECMO (VV and VA) in the intensive care/critical care areas of the hospitals within your Trust.

Questions:

1. How many patients were treated with ECMO in 2019 (please indicate number of VV and number of VA)?
VV – **<5 ****
VV-VA - **<5****
VA - **20**

Total: **25**

Please note: **Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust (the 'Trust') is unable to respond to information where there have been fewer than five data subjects (<5) covering the time period you have specified. The Trust is withholding this information under Section 40 (Personal Information) of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000 in order to reduce the risk of identifying third party individuals.**

The Trust believes providing this information would significantly increase the risk of third party individuals being identified. The Trust believes that Section 40(2) of the FOIA is therefore applicable for withholding the information where the disclosure of personal data could contravene their rights under the Data Protection Act DPA) 2018.

The Trust also has a duty of confidentiality and holds the view that Section 41(1) of the FOIA, where information has been provided in confidence, is applicable for the reasons that the information which was obtained by the Trust, has the necessary quality of confidence (being neither generally accessible nor trivial) and disclosure of this information to the public would give rise to an actionable breach of confidence under Section 41(1) of the FOIA. A breach of this expectation of

confidentiality would have the effect of the information being processed unfairly regarding the personal data and confidentiality relating to third party information. Your request is therefore exempt under Section 40(2) and Section 41(1) of the FOIA.

2. What was the average length of ECMO therapy in 2019 (please indicate number of days for VV and VA)?
 VV - **10 Days**
 VV-VA - **3 Days**
 VA – **6.4 Days (only ECMO bed-days, assessment, post ECMO is not included)**
3. How many ECMO machines are available for use on the ICU/critical care areas of the hospital? **5 stacks each with a backup machine**
1 stand-alone machine
4. Who is/are your supplier(s) of ECMO machines and consumables? **Chalice Medical and Getinge**
5. How old are the ECMO machines? **Chalice Medical 2 years**
Getinge approx. 4 years
6. Are the machines covered by a maintenance agreement with the manufacturer? **Yes**
7. What was the total spend on all associated consumables for ECMO in 2019? **£365,954**
8. What is the earliest date a change of provider may be considered? **2027**
9. Which department is responsible for the ECMO budget (machines and consumables) **ECMO. Heart/lung.**

Please note

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

We hope the information provided is sufficient and helpful in answering your questions, issues or concerns. 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

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Your Rights

Should you have any questions relating to the response you have received to your request for information, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Team. Alternatively, you are entitled to make a request for an internal review within two months from the date of receiving our final response to your original request. You can also write to the Head of Quality & Safety at the following address:

Quality & Safety team
Great Ormond Street Hospital
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If, however, you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review then you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner as the final stage of the FOI process. You can contact the Information Commissioner's Office at the following address:

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