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Dear [REDACTED]

Request for Information

I write further to your request FOI ID 50450 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding: -

Logistics and Supply chain model for medical equipment

Your request is set out below:

1. Current logistics and supply chain model

- a. How much space (in sq ft) does your organisation currently use for inventory storage of medical devices and consumables (please indicate whether this is on-site or off-site)?

KMPT do not have a separate space used for storage of medical devices and consumables, as a mental health organisation the consumables would be medication which is stored within medication cupboards within inpatient units.

- b. Does your organisation make use of consolidated logistics hubs or off-site storage facilities for medical devices and/or consumables?

No

- c. Is this done in partnership with other NHS organisations?
i. If so, does your organisation run this or is it run by another organisation?
ii. If so, which organisation?

N/A

- d. How much does your organisation spend on medical devices and consumables through NHS Supply Chain?

£129k

- i. What is this spend as a proportion of your organisation's total spend on medical devices and consumables?

All information requested is not routinely collected outside normal record keeping of a financial record. The requested information is not held centrally and is contained within the individual financial records and archive systems which cannot be extracted as a standalone

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piece of data. In order to extract the requested information and collate the results would require a manual exercise to identify and review financial records and would exceed the appropriate time limits, as per the Freedom of Information Act 2000 section 12(1) which does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

2. Delivery and stock management

- a. What systems (if any) does your Trust use to manage inventory and logistics for medical devices and consumables?

SBS

- b. Are these systems integrated with NHS Supply Chain or other regional or national systems?

Yes

3. Strategic priorities

- a. Is your Trust actively exploring or piloting any new logistics models, technologies, or partnerships to improve supply chain efficiency? If so, please give any details.

No

- b. Would your organisation be open to participating in a pilot of an alternative logistics model (i.e. one offering consolidated supply, enhanced stock visibility, and just-in-time delivery capabilities)?

No

4. Additional

- a. Who in your organisation is responsible for logistics and supply chain operations? Please provide name and contact details where possible.

Our in-house procurement team.

- b. Who in your organisation is responsible for procurement decision-making relating to medical technology and consumable supplies? Please provide name and contact details where possible.

Our in-house procurement team

I confirm that the information above completes your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am also pleased to confirm that no charge will be made for this request.

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Yours Sincerely

On Behalf of

The Information Governance Department