

FOI 2110

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

1. Does the Trust use ambulatory electrocardiogram (EKG or ECG) Holter monitors? (Yes or No)

Response: Yes

1(i) If "Yes" then which make and models are currently in use and how many of each are currently deployed?

Response: Lifecard monitors, 40 in total across the trust

1(ii) If "No" then does the Trust intend to implement ambulatory electrocardiogram (EKG or ECG) Holter monitoring in the near future? (Yes or No)

2. Does the Trust use software to read EDF reports? If ""Yes"" then which vendor(s) are used?

Response: Information not held.

3. Does the Trust use an external ECG Interpretation Provider. If ""Yes"" then which vendor(s) are used?

Response: No

4. How many ambulatory electrocardiogram ECG readings does the Trust perform each year?

Response: For year 22-23 - 6262

5. What is the split of the ambulatory ECG reading volumes in question 5, by length of recording? (e.g. 24hr, 48h, 72h, 7-day, 14-day)

Response:

24 hr – 4965

48 hr – 760

72 hr – 537

6. In what environment are the ambulatory ECG holters fitted? (e.g. secondary care, community diagnostic centre [CDC], primary care)

Response: Secondary care

7. What is your preferred buying method for these devices? (e.g. Direct, Supply Chain, Other)

Response: Direct/ Supply Chain

8. How much did the Trust pay for its currently deployed ECG Holter devices and software (per device), and what costs are associated with maintenance, such as battery replacement, servicing etc?

Response: Cost per life card device approx. £2000



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9. Does the Trust have service contracts for the currently deployed ambulatory ECG devices. If so, how much is this per annum for the different brand of devices by vendor(s)?

Response: No service contract, the trust biomed dept maintain monitors.

10. How many ambulatory ECG monitors did the Trust purchase in 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 per make and model of Holter monitor?

Response: Information not held.

11. What is the Trust's wait time for ambulatory ECG Holter Fittings and ECG reporting?

Response: 13 weeks for fitting. Reported within 48-72 hrs of recording

12. Is the Trust meeting their targets for ambulatory ECG recording volumes and patient waiting times? (Yes or No)

Response: Yes

13. What are the Trusts biggest challenges for cardiology ECG ambulatory recordings?

Response: No challenges as present.

14. Is the Trust considering purchasing any new ambulatory ECG Holter monitors? For replacement of old devices, broken devices, or needing more equipment?



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Response: No

15. Who is the Trust's senior electrophysiologist or cardiology manager and what are their contact details? (Name, position, email, telephone)

Response: Trudy Reid- Director of Medicine and Unscheduled Care

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