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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 014638 – Point of Care

I was hoping you could answer the following questions?

Draft Freedom of Information request to all NHS trusts

To be mapped against deaths from MRSA and c. diff in each NHS trust area.

1. What point of care facilities does your trust have for the diagnosis of:

- a. Group A streptococcal bacteria - no
- b. Influenza virus - no
- c. Clostridium difficile - no
- d. Staphylococcus aureus - no

2. Does your trust require diagnostic tests before prescribing: - These drugs can be prescribed empirically within set clinical parameters as described in Trust policies.

- a. Penicillins
- b. Aminoglycosides
- c. Tetracyclines
- d. Macrolides
- e. Co-amoxiclav
- f. Cephalosporins
- g. Carbapenems
- h. Quinolones

3. What plans do your trust have to procure new diagnostic equipment using the additional funding for additional diagnostic equipment and staff capacity?

Could you please clarify what funding you are referring to?