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Date: 5/10/23

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Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

1. Does your organisation have an outpatient pharmacy* If yes, please provide the detail in the below table.

Hospital/ Site	In House/ Outsourced?	If outsourced, please provide supplier/ subsidiary name	Annual Cost for Pharmacy Provision 22/23 *
Russells Hall Hospital	In House	NA	£393,710
Guest Hospital	In House	NA	£140,695
Corbett Hospital	Outsourced	Dudley Clinical Services Ltd	**Commercially in confidence

*All staff costs are at top of scale with oncosts and 22% relief

**The level of competition currently experienced within the NHS is such that the release of detailed information would have a prejudicial impact on the Trust resulting in it being less competitive. Therefore the Trust wishes to use Freedom of Information exemption section 43 (2) Commercial Interests (where Information is exempt)

2. Does the hospital outpatient pharmacy provide prescriptions dispensed in the community e.g., for hospices or home care providers? - Yes
 If yes please, please provide the annual cost in the below table.

	Annual Spend 22/23
a. Total spend on drugs prescribed in hospitals and dispensed in the community	£263,953
b. Total dispensed through hospices	N/A
c. Total dispensed through home care providers	0 dispensed in the community

3. What is the value of your organisations planned savings opportunity from medicines procurement for 23/24? - Approximately £283,000

4. What are the biggest areas** of spend you expect to make the largest savings in?

**An outpatient pharmacy dispenses medication for patients who are seen in outpatient clinics or A&E.*

***Medicines procurement spend areas could include secondary care medicines, Ophthalmology and Blood glucose and ketone meters*

Renal secondary care medicines

Injectable antibiotics

Ophthalmology medicines

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Team

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