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Dear

**Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000**

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

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from your organisation. Please may you provide me with an answer to the following:

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)? - **The Trust's warehouse operates as a receipt & distribution centre, therefore medical consumables are not generally stored. It would not be possible to quantify the size of the various individual storerooms throughout the Trust.**

b. Does your organisation make use of consolidated logistics hubs or off-site storage facilities for medical devices and/or consumables? - **The Trust utilises NHS Supply Chain (NHSSC)**

c. Is this done in partnership with other NHS organisations? - **A national provision**

i. If so, does your organisation run this or is it run by another organisation? - **NHSSC national use**

ii. If so, which organisation? - **Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC)**

d. How much does your organisation spend on medical devices and consumables through NHS Supply Chain? - **The Trust's total spend with NHSSC in 24/25 was £39m.**

i. What is this spend as a proportion of your organisation's total spend on medical devices and consumables? - **Circa 60%**

2. Delivery and stock management

a. What systems (if any) does your Trust use to manage inventory and logistics for medical devices and consumables? - **NHSSC's Electronic Data Capture (EDC) system**

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

**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. - **The Trust has expressed an interest to be involved in the national inventory management system rollout.**

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)? - **Not at this time given other priorities.**

4. Additional

a. Who in your organisation is responsible for logistics and supply chain operations? Please provide name and contact details where possible. Paul Mellor – [paul.mellor1@nhs.net](mailto:paul.mellor1@nhs.net)

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. Paul Mellor – [paul.mellor1@nhs.net](mailto:paul.mellor1@nhs.net)

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

Yours sincerely

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