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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/012747 - Dermatology department

Does your dermatology department have nurses trained to draw bloods from outpatients in outpatient clinics? 1x CSW who does venepuncture. The Trust has a phlebotomy service.

Does your dermatology department have dermatologists trained to draw bloods from outpatients in outpatient clinics? All dermatologists are trained to take blood

Does your dermatology department have access to tubes, syringes/needles in the department to draw bloods from outpatients in outpatient clinics and someone who collects or sends tubes to your bloods lab department etc? Yes

Does your dermatology department draw either whole bloods, serum, plasma or draw only whole bloods but they put on the label that a whole blood-based test or serum-based test or plasma-based test is required to your bloods lab department etc? (by the way there are tubes with clot activator for serum after they are spun. There are tubes with clot inhibitor for plasma after they are spun)

If we were to take bloods, we use the tube the lab identifies as being appropriate.