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**Address / Email:**

Dear

**Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000**

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

**Request**

1. Do(es) your hospital(s) have a solution to eliminate pathogens from the air?	No
In which departments?	
In which rooms?	
What technology(ies) are in use?:	
Air circulation with Ultra Violet (UV)	
Circulation with Air Filter	
Air Circulation with Air Filter and UV	
HVAC with UV	
HVAC without UV	
Other (Which technology?)	

2. Do(es) your hospital(s) have a solution to eliminate pathogens from the surfaces?	Yes
In which departments?	Transportable UV Gama Violet machine.
In which rooms?	All rooms as portable
What technology(ies) are in use to kill pathogens?	Chemical and UV
UV	Yes
What wavelenght?	254nm
In which areas of the hospital?	All clinical areas
Antimicrobial coating	No
Which coating materials?	NA
In which areas of the hospital?	NA
Antimicrobial cleaning products	Yes
Which chemicals?	Universal wipes, detergent and chlorine
In which areas of the hospital?	all

Antimicrobial materials	No
Which materials	NA
In which areas of the hospital?	NA
HVAC with UV	NA
HVAC without UV	NA
2.4 Other (Which technology?)	Yes

<b>3. What are the three most important areas to have a solution to kill pathogens from the air?</b>	Emergency department, theatres and critical care areas.
<b>4. What are the three most important areas to have a solution to kill pathogens from the surfaces?</b>	All clinical environments
<b>5. Which department(s) / professional(s) make(s) the procurement decisions regarding solutions to kill pathogens from the air?</b>	
Infection Prevention and Control (IPC)	In conjunction with Estates and facilities., procurement clinical leads and experts and PFI partners.
Facilities Management	
Other (which?)	
<b>6. Which department(s) / professional(s) make(s) the procurement decisions regarding solutions to kill pathogens from the surfaces?</b>	
Infection Prevention and Control	In conjunction with Estates and facilities., procurement clinical leads and experts and PFI partners.
Facilities Management	
Other (which?)	
<b>7. Do you have an Infection Prevention and Control department or is(are) designated members of staff managing it?</b>	The trust has an infection prevention and control department and separate Decontamination lead.
<b>8. Are you planning to purchase a solution to kill pathogens from the air on the next</b>	
12 months?	no
24 months?	no
<b>9. Are you planning to purchase a solution to kill pathogens from the surfaces on the next</b>	
12 months?	no
24 months?	no
<b>10. Are you planning to purchase a solution to improve clinician hand hygiene on the next</b>	
12 months?	no
24 months?	no
<b>11. What are your Infection Prevention and control targets for the next five years (Ex.: reduce number of Hospital Acquired Infections reductions by x% (n), increase clinicians hands hygiene rate by x%, reduce pathogens levels from the air in patient areas by x%,</b>	The Trust develops an annual infection prevention and control program based on the Department of Health thresholds and Health and Social Care Act.

reduce pathogens levels from the air in public areas by x%, reduce pathogens levels from the surfaces in patient areas by x%, reduce pathogens levels from the surfaces in public areas by x%...)	
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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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