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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. Please see response below.

Please could you provide the following details relating to your Trust's use of asthma spacers:

1: The total number of asthma spacers issued or supplied to patients in the past 12 months within your hospital(s),

- **total from April 2024 to March 2025, 5845 asthma spacers were issued by the Pharmacy Department**

including but not limited to

Emergency Departments - **1002**

Paediatric wards - **1816**

Respiratory outpatient clinics - **2750**

Other - **277**

2. Whether these spacers were supplied as part of hospital stock (i.e. not issued via prescription records).

- **5366 were issued as stock items, and 479 were issued on named patient prescriptions**

3. If possible, a breakdown of the number of spacers issued per department or patient age group (e.g., children vs. adults).

- **2536 were issued on Paediatric Cost Centres, and 3309 were issued on Adult Cost Centres**

- **1117 were issued to Urgent & Emergency Care,**
- **2849 were issued to Medicine & Integrated Care,**
- **1872 were issued to Surgery, Women's & Children**
- **7 were issued to Community & Core Clinical Services**

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

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

Yours sincerely

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