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You asked

Can the trust confirm the following for insourced clinical services, that is, where an external provider team comes in to perform extra procedures within the Trust facilities? This usually occurs during the weekend but can happen at other time.

There were no insourced procedures prior to 01/09/2018. Therefore the Trust has answered "not applicable" for the rest of the years.

**Can this be provided for the following financial years: 2009/10 to 2018/19
In short, can the trust provide:**

1. **The total number of procedures completed by each supplier (named) in the following categories:**
 - a) **Endoscopy by 18 Week Support**
 - i. **2018/19 to date** = See legal notes below
 - ii. **2017/18** = Not applicable
 - iii. **2016/17** = Not applicable
 - iv. **2015/16** = Not applicable
 - v. **2014/15** = Not applicable
 - vi. **2013/14** = Not applicable
 - vii. **2012/13** = Not applicable
 - viii. **2011/12** = Not applicable
 - ix. **2010/11** = Not applicable
 - x. **2009/10** = Not applicable
 - b) **Ophthalmology** = Not applicable
 - c) **ENT** = Not applicable
 - d) **Neurology** = Not applicable
 - e) **Dermatology** = Not applicable
 - f) **All Other** = Not applicable

2. The total spend completed by each supplier (named) in the following categories:

a) Endoscopy

- i. **2018/19 to date** = See legal notes below
- ii. **2017/18** = Not applicable
- iii. **2016/17** = Not applicable
- iv. **2015/16** = Not applicable
- v. **2014/15** = Not applicable
- vi. **2013/14** = Not applicable
- vii. **2012/13** = Not applicable
- viii. **2011/12** = Not applicable
- ix. **2010/11** = Not applicable
- x. **2009/10** = Not applicable

b) Ophthalmology = Not applicable

c) ENT = Not applicable

d) Neurology = Not applicable

e) Dermatology = Not applicable

f) All Other = Not applicable

Legal notes

University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust is confirming in accordance with section 1 (a) of the Act that it holds the information requested and is supplying it in accordance with section 1(b) unless otherwise specified below as not applicable or where an exemption has been engaged.

The Trust holds the answer to question 1.-(a)(i) and 2(a)(i), but has refused to supply it in accordance with section 43(2) of the Act. The Trust has conducted a public interest test to assess the impact of the disclosure. Whilst the Trust would normally promote transparency and accountability and with full regard for the Information Commissioner Guidance and Cabinet Office Code of Practice has on this occasion considered the answers commercially sensitive and the exemption engaged.

This is because the combined details reveal the pricing model for the current supplier. The value of this exemption will diminish with time and may be made public at a later date once the sensitivity has decreased. All parties operate in a competitive environment and because of the newness of the facts believe the timing supports non-disclosure. All parties have a right to make competitive bids during the procurement process and the public is assured that the NHS seeks to ensure best value for money.

Attachments included: No