



Ref: FOIA Reference 2023/24-684

Date: 2nd February 2024 Ms Ward

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 15th December 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Embolism Stockings

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

Q1 I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from procurement. Please may you provide me with the following information:

**How many AES(Anti-Embolism Stockings) does the Trust purchase per year covering 2022-2023?
Which brand?
Where from?**

A1 See below:

- Brands – Fitlegs AES / Fitlegs AES grip, Fitlegs plus AES, fitlegs AES grip
- Purchased from - NHSSC
- QTY purchased year covering 22/23- (41,420 pairs)

Q2 How many IPC (Intermittent Pneumatic Compression sleeves) does the Trust purchase each year covering 2022-2023? Which brand?

A2 14,589 pairs of sleeves (range of sizes)- Brand SCD Express

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

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Yours,



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