

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 14 September 2018.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

1. How many hernia mesh implant devices have been purchased in each of the following financial years: 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18?

Financial Year	Quantity UHSM	Quantity UHSOV
2012/3	1	2
2013/4	2	1
2014/5	3	5
2015/6		3
2017/8	2	2
Grand Total	8	13

UHSM = Ultrapro Hernia System

UHSOV = Ultra Hernia Mesh System

2. Please provide the total annual cost of hernia mesh implant devices purchased for those same years requested in question one.

Section 43 is a qualified exemption, and we are required to assess as objectively as possible whether the balance of public interest favours disclosing or withholding the information. Our view that section 43 applies to your request is based on the judgement that the Trusts ability to purchase products at a competitive price would be compromised by disclosure.

3. Please provide the different types of meshes purchased and the name of the manufacturer for those same years requested in question one.

Financial Year	Supplier	Quantity UHSM	Quantity UHSOV
2012/3	Johnson and Johnson	1	2
2013/4	Johnson and Johnson	2	1
2014/5	Johnson and Johnson	3	5
2015/6	Johnson and Johnson		3
2017/8	Johnson and Johnson	2	2
Grand Total		8	13

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- 4. Please provide how many patients received which type of mesh in each year requested in question one.**

Please see spreadsheet attached.

- 5. How many hernia operation were carried out in those same years requested in question one?**

Please see spreadsheet attached.

- 6. How many follow up appointments with the implanting surgeon are standard practice for patients who have had a hernia operation, either as a day case or inpatient?**

This information is not recorded centrally and would depend on the patient and the clinical need.

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If you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the address above.

Yours sincerely,

Freedom Of Information Co-ordinator
For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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