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Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 12 October 2018.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

1) The total number of medicines that your trust considered to be facing a shortage throughout:

- a. 2016/17
- b. 2017/18
- c. 2018/19 to date
- 2) A list of the medicines your trust considered to be in short supply for each year:
 - a. 2016/17
 - b. 2017/18
 - c. 2018/19 to date

3) The total amount of money your trust spent in response to these medicines shortages to find and procure alternative medicines – including the cost of "off-contract claims" from suppliers against NHS England/CMU contracts – in:

- a. 2016/17
- b. 2017/18
- c. 2018/19 to date

4) A breakdown of what this cost includes, if it includes costs other than that of finding and procuring alternative medicines, for each year listed above.

The Trust does not record this information. Shortages are dealt with at the time but information regarding shortages is not recorded.

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As a teaching hospital, we conduct education and research to improve healthcare for our patients. During your visit students may be involved in your care, or you may be asked to participate in a clinical trial. Please speak to your doctor or nurse if you have any concerns. Yours sincerely,

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

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