

## ***Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000***

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 26 June 2019.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

### **What is the total number of trays process on a daily/monthly/yearly basis?**

Please See attached figures, monthly breakdown provided.

### **How much does it cost to process and deliver trays?**

The department employs 2 WTE band 2 staff members to deliver reprocessed equipment. Process costs cannot be estimated as there are many different types & sizes of trays some of which are complex (over 100 inst) and some which require assembly and disassembly.

### **How much time is taken fully process one tray?**

Again the question is too broad. Dependent on size, complexity and surgical need.

### **How many times a day are surgical trays collected and processed?**

Contaminated equipment is collected hourly during core hours 08.00-19.00 reprocessing takes place during this timeframe.

### **How many individual instruments are cleaned?**

Unable to provide this information.

### **How many times can an individual instrument be reused?**

There is no predefined criteria ,dependent on the manufacturer's guidance and the type and specification of the instrument.

### **What are the different surgical tray dimensions?**

Surgical trays are predominantly DIN baskets but there are many variations on size depending on the type and specification of the tray set.

## **What is the cost of the surgical equipment?**

Not all equipment is purchased some is leased some is loaned some is purchased

## **How much staff is required to process surgical trays?**

This unit employs 13 WTE who are responsible for reprocessing kits, but if opening hours or production needs to increase then staff numbers would need to increase

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Yours sincerely,

Freedom Of Information Co-Ordinator

For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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