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Dear

Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act

Thank you for your email of 11 December, making a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested the following information and the Trust is able to provide the information below in response:

Request:

This is a Freedom of Information request regarding usage of certain products in all NHS Trusts, these products are:

- Iloprost 0.5mg/0.5ml Ampoules
- Melatonin 1mg/ml oral solution,
- Melatonin 2mg Capsules,
- Melatonin 3mg Capsules,
- Melatonin 5mg Capsules,
- Melatonin 3mg Tablets
- Mexiletine 200mg capsules
- Diazoxide 50mg/ml oral suspension

Response:

The Trust are able to provide quantities or costs, but not both as this would disclose prices per pack which are commercially confidential. The Trust is unable to comply with your request in full and has

applied section 43 and section 41 to the request. The Trust has not disclosed this information and relies on section 43 in this respect. The Trust would not be able to obtain best value in tendering, negotiating or contracting for these products and services, and there would be likely to be prejudice to the commercial interest of the Trust and providers of such products and services as a result.

2017 figures do not include December's data.

What was the annual spend for each product between 2015 and 2017?

	2015	2016	2017
Iloprost 0.5mg/0.5ml Ampoules – Single pack	0	0	0
Iloprost 0.5mg/0.5ml Ampoules – Pack of 5	0	0	0
Melatonin 1mg/ml Oral Solution- Single pack	0	0	0
Melatonin 2mg Capsules- Single pack	£918	£1228	£354 (to end of November)
Melatonin 3mg Capsules- Single pack	£1356	£741	£465 (to end of November)
Melatonin 5mg Capsules- Single pack	£119	£197	£15 (to end of November)
Melatonin 3mg Tablets – Single pack	£56,094	£51,814	£69,539 (to end of November)
Mexiletine 200mg Capsules- Single pack	0	0	0
Diazoxide 50mg/ml Oral Suspension- Single pack	0	0	0

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to me and I will ensure the decision is reviewed. The Trust will consider undertaking a review if requested to do so within 40 working days of the date the response is received by the applicant, and will apply discretion if a longer period of time has passed.

Should you wish to make a complaint as a result of the outcome of such a review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision.

Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust for FoI Act matters.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Please contact me if there are any further queries.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mark Underwood

Head of Information Governance