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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 16th February 2019 (received into our office 18th February) requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Synacthen 50mcg/1ml.

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) 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 How many vials of Synacthen 250mcg/ml injection have been used in the Trust for the last 5 to 10 years please?

A1 Please see below:

Usage:

- 2017: 858 amps*.
- 2018: 890 amps.
- 2019: 20 amps.

Please note: County Hospital did not start using the Royal Stoke's Ascribe system until 13/02/2017, therefore the data only goes back to this date. Moreover, as the latest date for which data is available is 24/02/2019, the usage figures above represent usage up to and including this date.

*The usage data represents how many ampoules (amps), as we do not stock vials

*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.

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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours,



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