



Ref: FOIA Reference 2024/25-318

Date: 20th September 2024

Dear Sir/ Madam

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 14th August 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding single use endoscopes

Q1 Please may you provide me with the information for the following:

Does University Hospitals North Midlands NHS Foundation Trust use single use endoscopes for any of its endoscopy procedures?

- a. **If so, can you state in which procedures they are used?**
- b. **If so, can you state which brand/s of endoscopes are used?**

A1 We do not use single use scopes in endoscopy

Q2 Can University Hospitals North Midlands NHS Foundation Trust state how many single use endoscopes have been used in 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024?

A2 Within endoscopy department we use reusable scopes only.

Q3 Can University Hospitals North Midlands NHS Foundation Trust state how many single use endoscopes are planned to be used in 2024, 2025, and 2026.

A3 None

Q4 Does University Hospitals North Midlands NHS Foundation Trust have plans to increase the use of single use endoscopes to help in the delivery of Community Diagnostic Centres and temporary out-of-hours hubs to reduce waiting lists?

A4 No

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Yours,



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