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I am responding to your request for information received 2 May 2023. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Information Rights Coordinator

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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

Tel: 0303 123 1113
Web: www.ico.org.uk

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Request: Through FOI act I am requesting information regarding any consignment stock held at your facilities. Consignment Stock, in the case of NHS Trusts, is generally medical/surgical devices that are held in close proximity to operating rooms but are not paid for until the Trust uses them.

Question 1: Do you hold in your facilities any medical (non pharmaceutical) consignment stock (Yes/No)?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

*Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—
(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and
(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to them.*

East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not provide the services described in this request. We are therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 2: If Yes, for any medical (non pharmaceutical) consignment stock held on Trust premises, please provide:

- a. the list and volume of each item forming the Consignment Stock.
- b. storage footprint (square feet/square metres) of the consignment stock in total across the Trust's premises and details of any product segregation/MHRA Registration requirements.
- c. average turnover of consignment stock items, minimum stock levels which are maintained throughout the year.
- d. availability requirements, i.e. maximum time between product requirement being identified and product being available in the ward/department to be used to support clinical service delivery.

Answer: Not applicable.



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