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I am responding to your request for information received 03 August 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.

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Request:

Question 1: How many Adult or Paediatric cannulation procedures (Peripheral Cannula passed) were done in your trust in the past financial year? This can be estimated figure (from number of cannulas purchased) or actual if any such records are kept by the trust?

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 cannulation services as described in this request. We are therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 2: Do you use any form of prepacked cannulation kits that provide all appropriate equipment needed? These are manufactured outside the hospital and delivered as one whole pack, or the items are purchased / used separately.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 3: Which type of cannula is used / preferred at your trust or hospital? There are two types – one with safety mechanism E.g., BD or Vygon or ones without safety. The safety cannulas are designed to prevent needle stick injuries.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 3 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 4: Does the trust / hospital use any particular cannula more than others and if



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so what is the name of manufacturer(s) and breakdown of their supply e-g leading manufactures are BD, Vygon, etc

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 4 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 5: Is there any breakdown of cannulas used by their size / gauge (e-g 22G Blue / 20G pink) ?

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Question 6: Do you use the NHS supply chain or purchase these cannulas / cannulation packs directly independent suppliers / distributors or companies within your trust? If so, please can we be provided with:
a. the supplier(s) /distributor (s) name(s)
b. breakdown of items purchase in last financial year

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 6 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 7: What is the total number of hospital beds you have within your trust and its occupied capacity?

Answer: The total number of hospital beds within the Trust is currently 856. This is the same as the occupied capacity.



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Question 8: What is the total number of annual attendance in the following departments:

- i. Accident and Emergency**
- ii. Surgical Assessments Unit**
- iii. Medical Day Unit / Medical Admission Units**

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Question 9: What is the annual budget for clinical waste disposal?

Answer: The Trust's annual clinical waste budget is £140,000.

Question 10: Do you have any figures in weight (tons) of clinical waste disposed of by your trust?

Answer: For the financial year 2022-2023, ELFT disposed of 106.54 tonnes of clinical waste.



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