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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 20/10/09.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

 Could you please provide me with the name of the blood glucose meter used by your ambulance crews?

We currently use the Nova dual ketone/glucose meter on our fleet, our staff are issued with the Nova 4SURE Duo meter in the Personal Issue Assessment Kits

 Were these blood glucose meters purchased by the Trust or provided free of charge from the company?

The Nova device was purchased in line with our requirements. 2000 Nipro devices were provided free of charge and we will have to purchase any further we require.

 How many boxes of 50 of the associated blood glucose test strips does your service use each year?

Nova - 4463 Nipro - 3120

 Where do you get your supply of these test strips? (NHS Supply Chain, direct from the company etc.)

Both the Nova and Nipro are purchased directly from the supplier.

 When is the next review of the choice of blood glucose meter used by your service due?

We are in the process of changing over from Nova to Nipro, this will remove variation across the Trust.

Does your service put out to tender for its blood glucose meters?
 Not historically

• Can you please provide contact details for the person or department responsible for selecting your blood glucose meters?

The decisions on which meters are used is made at the Clinical Equipment & Consumables Working Group, Chairperson Kirsty Booth.

Switch board – 0300 123 0999

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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