

Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – INSOURCING

I write in response to your request for information in relation to insourcing within NHS Lothian.

Question:

1. Has the Trust utilised the services of an Insourcing Company (utilising Insourced clinical staff within Trust facilities to undertake additional activity) – within the Financial Year 2021/2022 and 2022/23 if you have them?

Answer:

Yes.

Question:

2. Which specialties has the Trust utilised Insourcing for within the Financial Year 2021/2022 and 2022/23 (if you have them) and the spend in each of those specialties?

Answer:

2021-22		2022-23	
Specialty	Cost £	Specialty	Cost £
Dermatology	£1,328,250	Dermatology	£1,821,250
ENT	£434,642	ENT	£979,042
Endoscopy	£0	Endoscopy	£150,671

Question:

3. Which specialties has the Trust utilised Outsourcing for within the Financial Year 2021/2022 and 2022/23 and the spend in each of those specialties?

Answer:

2021-22		2022-23	
Specialty	Cost £	Specialty	Cost £
Colorectal	£34,938	General Surgery	£6,000
General Surgery	£41,942	Ophthalmology	£692,140

Ophthalmology	£199,360	Orthopaedics	£1,760,159
Orthopaedics	£420,186	Plastic Surgery	£56,590
Plastic Surgery	£100	Urology	£520,897
Urology	£1,863,575	Vascular Surgery	£362,468
Vascular Surgery	£254,849		

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4. Which insourcing company/s has the Trust utilised within the Financial Year 2021/2022 and 2022/23 and the “Framework” status of the company?

Answer:

2021-22	2022-23
Medinet	Medinet
Insource Medicare	Insource Medicare
The Aberdeen Clinic	The Aberdeen Clinic
	Synaptik

I hope the information provided helps with your request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner within 6 months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by using the Scottish Information Commissioner’s Office online appeals service at www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal. If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner’s response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to the FOI Reviewer at the email address at the head of this letter. The review will be undertaken by a Reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.

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Yours sincerely

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