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Dear

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – INSOURCING OF CLINICAL SERVICES

I write in response to your request for information in relation to Insourcing of Clinical Services.

Question:

1. **A list of all suppliers that were actually contracted, engaged, or utilised by NHS Lothian under the NHS SBS “Insourcing of Clinical Services” Framework (SBS10203).**

**Please note:** I am *not* seeking the publicly available list of approved suppliers, but only those suppliers whose services were actually used by NHS Lothian in this timeframe.

Answer:

Xyla – Dermatology – no spend to date.

Question:

2. **For each supplier identified, please provide:**

- The **total spend** on services provided by the supplier (including invoices issued but not yet paid), ideally broken down by month, though any available format is acceptable.
- The **service or specialty** the supplier was engaged to deliver.

Answer:

Synaptik – ENT – no spend to date.

Question:

3. **For each supplier, please also provide the following information if it is held by NHS Lothian:**

- The **rate agreed or amount paid** per session, per day, or per case for insourcing activity.
- Any information held by NHS Lothian on the **breakdown of these payments**, specifically:
  - the portion paid to the clinician(s) delivering the work
  - versus the portion retained by the agency (fees, margin, administrative charges)

Answer:

MediNet – Ophthalmology – Total invoiced amount for MediNet from Mid July 2025 is £235,434 (contract started Mid July so no costs prior). No further detail is held in an accurate centrally extractable format.

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](http://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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