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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – INSOURCING

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

Question:

- Spend on Insourcing from November 2025-end of January 2026, broken down by each specialty and subspecialty, and the insourcing company that was used, e.g. cardiology £1000-echo cardiogram £1000- company x £1000

Answer:

Dermatology Xyla - £243,374.18
ENT Synaptik - £86,175.00
Endoscopy Synaptik - £278,545.00
Ophthalmology Medinet - £179,780.00

Question:

- Total budget for each specialty for insourcing

Answer:

Dermatology Xyla - £3,334,470
ENT Synaptik - £3,940,000
Endoscopy Synaptik - £1,801,374
Ophthalmology Medinet - £2,560,000

Question:

- Confirm the contract start and end date for each specialty

Answer:

Dermatology - 11.10.25 - 31.03.26
Ophthalmology - 26.07.25 - 31.03.26
ENT - 13.12.25 - 31.03.26
Endoscopy - 07.08.26 - 31.03.26

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Question:

- What frameworks were used for each specialty and was there direct awards and if so, who was they awarded to and what specialty

Answer:

All were awarded though the NHS Scotland National Procurement Framework

Question:

- What was the service, e.g. theatres, outpatient, or diagnostic

Answer:

Outpatients and Theatres for ENT, Dermatology and Ophthalmology
Diagnostics only for Endoscopy

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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