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Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information Act 2000 request:

With reference to your request for information, dated, made under section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act, I am writing to inform you of the outcome of your information request.

You asked the following:

We are currently doing some research around the procurement of medical equipment within NHS Trusts in the United Kingdom and require information that relates to the organisation's live contracts around the procurement of medical equipment.

1. Airway Management
2. Anaesthetic oxygen and resuscitation
3. Audiology
4. Cannula and catheters
5. Cardiology
6. Clinical departments
7. Clinical products
8. Continence care
9. Dental consumables
10. Drapes and gowns
11. Neuromodulation
12. Operating theatre products
13. Ophthalmic
14. Orthopaedics
15. Pathology
16. Patient monitoring
17. Pressure area care
18. Rehabilitation
19. Stoma care
20. Urology
21. Woman and child/sexual health promotion
22. Wound management

Can you please provide me the full version of your contracts that lists all the contracts the organisation has around medical equipment? I would prefer you send me this information in an excel format.

Please do not send me a simple contract's register that only list contract dates and supplier names as I require department, categories and contract owner. The more the better.

We are currently conducting this research within your region and have also contacted similar organisations to obtain the same information.

Please if possible, can you include:

1. Existing Supplier
2. Annual Spend
3. Contract Brief
4. Contract Dates
5. Department
6. Product Categories – The more the better.
7. Contract Description
8. Contract Owner including job title and email address
9. If possible can you also provide me with the contact details of the person responsible for uploading and publishing the contract's register.

If you have any further question, please do get in touch.

Our response:

Unfortunately we are unable to provide you with the information requested as carrying out this task would exceed the 'appropriate limit' set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004.

Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) provides an exemption from the obligation to comply with a request for information where the cost of compliance is estimated to exceed the appropriate limit (£450 or 18 hours at £25/hour). Accordingly, due to the length of time it would take to locate and extract the information, I am unable to provide this to you.

This completes our response to your request for information. If you are unhappy with our response, please write to us giving your reasons and we will address them. If you remain dissatisfied you are entitled to appeal to the Information Commissioner:

Customer Contact
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow SK9 5AF
Tel: 0303 123 1113
http://ico.org.uk/concerns/getting/report_concern_foi

Yours sincerely,

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