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Subject: Venous tourniquets used for phlebotomy procedures

REQUEST & RESPONSE

This information relates to venous tourniquets used for phlebotomy procedures and not to surgical tourniquets used for exsanguination of limbs or extremities.

1) Does the trust use single use venous tourniquets, reusable tourniquets or both? *We use both within the Trust.*

2) What is the annual spend/usage on each category of tourniquet?

Single use: 16/17 Qty 170,000; spend £13.5K

No reusable purchased in 2016/2017

3) How many reported incidences of tourniquets being inadvertently left on a patients arm have there been in the past 5 years?

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4) What is the value if any, of any litigation costs associated with any such incidences?

Nil.