

Ref no: 191040817
From: Commercial
Date: 04/08/17
Subject: Hard surface cleaning products

REQUEST

I am writing to you to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding the use of hospital privacy curtains at **St Helens and Knowsley Hospitals NHS Trust** and associated hospitals.

Please acknowledge receipt by replying to this email.

Please answer the below questions separately for each hospital that falls under the remit of St Helens and Knowsley Hospitals NHS Trust, and provide the information in the form of a pdf attached to a reply email.

1. Please state the different **hard** surface cleaning products in use across the trust in the last year. If possible please split this across each hospital in the trust. What is the total cost of each of these products for the most recent financial year.
2. For the above list please state the number of units purchased for each product. Please also state the unit volume of each product e.g. 100mL, 1L, 5L etc. Where possible, please state if the product requires dilution or is ready to use.
3. Please provide details of the product name and company, total contract value and expiration date of any contract relating to the previous questions.
4. What proportion of your hard surface cleaning spend was through the NHS supply chain in the last financial year?
5. Please provide details of the hard surface cleaning protocols for different patient environments, and the products used. For example, the cleaning protocols for a standard clean, cleaning protocols after a contact precaution

patient and other scenarios. Please note the different frequencies with which these occur.

6. Are there any additional surface disinfection technologies used within the hospital not mentioned in previous answers? For example UV or HPV disinfection. When are these used.

RESPONSE

1. Products used across the Trust from July 2016 to June 2017

Both Whiston and St Helens Hospitals have used the product types listed below in the last 12 months

Toilet cleaner
General Purpose cleaner
Carpet cleaner
Polish cleaner
Disinfectant cleaner
Floor maintainer

2. The product quantities categorized into types and litre quantities, no disinfection quantities available

The quantity of each product is detailed below:

St Helens	Product type	Annual quantity in litres
	Bathroom Cleaner	50
	Toilet cleaner	672
	Gen. purpose cleaner	1170
	Floor maintainer	75

Whiston	Product type	annual quantity in litres
	Polish cleaner	12
	Toilet cleaner	5148
	Gen. purpose cleaner	1590
	Floor maintainer	1110

3. The Trust outsources its cleaning to a private sector provider and there is no separate cost of consumables within that party's contract with the Trust. As such it is not possible to provide any detail other than the provider is currently contracted until June 2018.
4. Zero
5. Our cleaning protocols for different hard surfaces don't vary according to the room usage, we use disinfectant cleaning agents to clean all surfaces within the room, toilet cleaners to clean toilets, descales to remove lime scale and specialist cleaning products for removing different types of soilage, such as black marks, graffiti, chewing gum etc. and specialist floor maintainers for maintaining floors We clean to the frequencies detailed in the national specification of cleanliness and after each patient is discharged from Hospital
6. The Trust presently practices a system using Hydrogen Peroxide Vapour also known as "Fogging" to enable deep cleaning to be carried out at both St Helens and Whiston Hospital sites.