

## Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB 19-485

14 August 2019

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

- 1. What e-prescribing software/platform (if any) do you use in the paediatric wards and what year was it implemented in? Please indicate whether it's an in-house solution. If there are several solutions, please name them all.
  - a. Philips CCIS system Used only in Critical Care and Implemented in 2015.
  - b. CIS Healthcare Paediatric Chemocare for e-prescribing used only for children undergoing chemotherapy and implemented in 2017.
- 2. What dosing support tools (if any) are available through the e-prescribing service (or other) at your paediatric wards. Examples include Cerner Multum, FDB, Scriptswitch, eclipse live.
  - a. Philips = No external decision support provided, No drug-drug, drug-allergy, drug-disease or other decision support. Dosing limits can be added to each medication, with a minimum, lower normal, upper normal, and maximum limit available.
    Standard orders can be created to aid selection of correct dosages.
  - b. **Paediatric ChemoCare** = internal and modified parameters for dosing, such as warnings and hard dose limits when activated. It does not link to any other decision support such as those listed above.
- 3. What is the yearly cost for e-prescribing dosing support tools used in your paediatric wards? please provide costings for each tool. Please provide key contractual details including: the duration of the contract with each provider; whether this contract was made on a per bed basis (if this applies, please state the number of beds this would apply to); whether the contract was on a per "call/query" basis?

The Trust does not have any general e-prescribing dosing support tools on our paediatric wards. The dosing support tools of the above mentioned very specific areas are a component of the e-prescribing tools and therefore its cost cannot be identified.

- 4. How many smart pumps are currently in use in your paediatric wards? How many units were purchased in the last three years? If possible, please break-down by manufacturer (e.g., Braun, Alaris, Carefusion). What were the costs of these smart pumps for the past 3 years? (please provide contractual details e.g., break down of costs by consumables, services/maintenance, purchasing of units). Please see attached spreadsheet.
- 5. What were the litigation costs associated with medication error in paediatric patients the last 5 years? University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust reports all clinical negligence claims received by the Trust through the Clinical Negligence Scheme for Trusts to NHS Resolution (NHSR). The Trust is indemnified for any litigation costs arising from claims by the contribution it pays annually to NHSR.
- If applicable, what is your HIMSS level and is there a target date for achieving a certain HIMSS level?
   UHBristol has not committed to assessment against the North American HIMSS compliance levels at this time.

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Trust Secretary University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust Trust Headquarters Marlborough Street Bristol BS1 3NU

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Yours sincerely

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