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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Non-medical contracts register.

Can you please provide me the full version of your contracts register (Excel) that lists all the contracts the organisation has around non-medical equipment?

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.

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 Owner including job title and email address*
8. *If possible can you also provide me with the contact details of the person responsible for uploading and publishing the contract's register?*

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The Trust published contracts register identifies the contract length, contract owner, contract value, categories and a reference number. The reference number can be used to look up the current supplier on contracts finder.

<https://www.lppsourcing.org/procontract/LPP/proregister.nsf/fcontent?ReadForm&requesttype=view&requestview=authority®ion=&authority=ORG-9UBN-4EYDCS&sd=&styp=&rv=authority&start=1&count=&contentid=1.002>

8. Maidstone & Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust receives a number of requests for details relating to the professional lives of our staff from private individuals and organisations, some of whom are involved in recruitment and marketing. We are aware that approaches from some of these organisations, as a result of any disclosure on our part, may lead to damage and distress to individuals whose roles and responsibilities would not normally be public facing or a level where the expectation would be that this information should be in the public domain. On very rare occasions it might be considered in the public interest to disclose some information but in such cases the views of the individual staff concerned is always sought.

The Trust has therefore decided that in future all such requests will normally be refused using the limitations available under Section 10 and Section 11 of the Data Protection Act 1998.

The information you have requested is therefore exempt under Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The Trust does, however, release details of staff on Associate Director or above. The Procurement Department falls under the remit of the Director of Finance whose contact details can be found on the Trust website.