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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 the Dermatology Department.

Does your dermatology department have nurses trained to draw bloods from outpatients in outpatient clinics?

Does your dermatology department have dermatologists trained to draw bloods from outpatients in outpatient clinics?

Does your dermatology department have access to tubes, syringes/needles in the department to draw bloods from outpatients in outpatient clinics and someone who collects or sends tubes to your bloods lab department etc?

Does your dermatology department draw either whole bloods, serum, plasma or draw only whole bloods but they put on the label that a whole blood-based test or serum-based test or plasma-based test is required to your bloods lab department etc? (by the way there are tubes with clot activator for serum after they are spun. There are tubes with clot inhibitor for plasma after they are spun)

Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust do not provide Dermatology services at either Maidstone Hospital or Tunbridge Wells Hospital at Pembury.