

Ref: FOI/GS/ID 5986

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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 Ophthalmic Devices.

*You asked:*

*1. Please specify the Cataract volume and Intra Ocular Lens spend in the following years:*

*Year Cataract Volumes IOL £ Value ex VAT*

*2018*

*2019*

*2. Please specify the Trust's current supplier of Intra Ocular Lenses:*

*3. Please indicate below the route of purchase.*

*Direct supply*

*Agency*

*Purchasing Hub*

*4. If supply is via an agency of purchasing group/hub, please provide the name:*

*5. What was the most commonly used Mono-Focal Intra Ocular Lens in 2018/2019 Please specify supplier name, model and price per lens for the most commonly used Mono- Focal Intra Ocular Lens, in 2018/2019.*

*a. Supplier Name*

*b. Supplier Model*

*c. Price per lens (ex VAT)*

*6. Which IOL is preferred Hydrophilic or Hydrophobic?*

*7. Please specify when the most recent contract was awarded for the supply of Intra Ocular Lenses and provide the length of the contract:*

*a. Date of Award*

*b. Contract Length*

*8. Date of next planned Tender / Contract Award Please provide the expected commencement date of the next planned Tender for the supply of Intra Ocular Lenses.*

*a. Please also provide the expected date of the Contract Award.*

*b. Date of next planned Tender for IOL supply*

*c. Date of next Contract Award for IOL supply*

*Phaco Emulsification Equipment*

*9. Please provide details of the Phaco Emulsification Equipment installed:*

*a. Brand of Installed Phaco Machines,*

*b. the number of machines,*

*c. estimated date of renewal*

Trust response:

Under Section 21 of the Act we are not required to provide information in response to a request if the information is already reasonably accessible to you. The information you requested is available from the trust website [WWW.MTW.NHS.UK](http://WWW.MTW.NHS.UK) Please enter Intraocular Lenses and Phaco Machines into the search box and the response to FOI request ID 5793 will be shown.

1. ID 5793

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a. ID 5793

b. Bausch & Lomb MI60

c. XX

6. Hydrophilic

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a. ID 5793

b. ID 5793

8. ID 5793

a. ID 5793

b. ID 5793

c. ID 5793

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a. ID 5793

b. 6 machines

c. ID 5793

XX - The Trust is applying Section 43(2) FOIA which provides an exemption from disclosure of information which would or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it). This is a qualified exemption, and is therefore subject to the public interest test.

The Trust believes that the information requested contains details which would be likely to damage the companies ability to win new business opportunities for their services and to perform them within a commercially competitive market.

The Trust has concluded that the public interest in maintaining the exemption, and therefore protecting the commercial interests of the suppliers and preserving its ability to compete fairly in a commercial market, outweighs the public interest in disclosure in this case.

Supplier Transactions

All NHS bodies are required to publish details of individual invoices and transactions that are over £25,000. This is in response to guidance from HM Treasury which sets out the scope of the data. Details can be found on our website using the following link: [www.mtw.nhs.uk/about-us/our-quality-story/finance/](http://www.mtw.nhs.uk/about-us/our-quality-story/finance/)