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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 medicines carbon footprint.

You asked:

The questions below relate to medicines carbon footprint reporting for your Trust.

Question 1: Do you calculate the carbon footprint of medicines?

Answer 1: Yes/No

Question 2: What was the carbon footprint of medicines for 2021?

Answer 2: _____ tonnes CO₂e (or other units - please specify)

Question 3: How did you calculate the carbon footprint of medicines in 2021?

Answer 3: Please select one of the following

- a. Top-down - we use a factor which converts spend to carbon footprint.*
- b. Top-down + bottom-up - we use a spend-based factor for most medicines and specific (bottom-up) carbon footprint calculations for others (e.g. inhalers and/or anaesthetics. Please specify for which medicines you use bottom-up calculations.*
- c. Other - Please specify.*

Question 4: For top-down calculations what factor did you use?

Answer 4: _____ kilograms or tonnes CO₂e per £ spent (or other units - please specify)

Question 5: Do you update the factor used?

Answer 5: Select one of the following

- a. The factor is updated yearly*
- b. The same factor is used every year*
- c. The factor is updated less frequently than yearly*

Question 6: Why did you use this factor?

Answer 6: Please provide as much detail as possible including when and who supplied this factor.

Trust response:

1. No

All remaining questions are not applicable.