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Freedom of Information Reference: FOI-2023-000462 – Wipes supplied to Scottish Hospitals

I refer to your freedom of information request that we received on 08 December 2023 requesting the following information.

Under the freedom of information act please kindly provide information on Wipes (Dry and Wet) that are currently supplied to the Scottish Hospitals.

Please include the Product code, Description of the product, Unit of issue, brand name, supplier name and contract type.

Additionally, please provide the number of packs supplied for each month for the last 3 years and the average cost per pack in an excel spreadsheet.

I can advise you that we have now completed the search of our records and can provide you with the following information:

Please note that under Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Scotland Act, 2002 (FOISA) an organisation does not have to provide that information if it does not hold that information. NHS National Services Scotland (NSS) does not hold any information in relation to brand names as this specific detail is not recorded. Please also note that under Section 17 of FOISA we are unable to provide details for December 2023/January 2024 as this information is not yet available.

Under Section 33(1)(b) of the FOISA, an organisation does not require to provide information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice substantially the commercial interests of any person (including, without prejudice to that generality, a Scottish public authority) and as such any individual cost information is being withheld as it is commercially sensitive.

What we can provide you with are the following appendices. These provide you with the total value across all products issued, by month, over the requested three-year period.

Appendix 1 - Wipes Data December 2022 - November 2023

Appendix 2 - Wipes Data December 2021 - November 2022

Appendix 3 - Wipes Data December 2020 - November 2021





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Chairperson Keith Redpath Chief Executive Mary Morgan If you are unhappy with any aspect of how we have dealt with your request, you can make representations to us asking us to review the handling of your request. Please write to the

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or at the email address nss.foi@nhs.scot within 40 working days of the date of this correspondence.

If after a review you are still unhappy, you also have the right to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at Kinburn Castle, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS, or via their online application form.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me at the above address.

Yours sincerely

