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Dear

Freedom of Information Reference: FOI-2025-000013 – Human Albumin.

I refer to your freedom of information request that we received on 10 January 2025 requesting the following information.

I would like to submit an FOI request for the amount of human albumin in grams purchased by the trust in 2023 and 2024 (the entire calendar year),

Date:

Our ref: Email:

a. broken down by manufacturer (Bio Products Laboratory, Grifols, Biotest, CSL Behring, Octapharma, Takeda),

- b. by concentration (4.5%, 5%, 20%) and
- c. by service ordering albumin (ICU, Liver unit, etc.)

We have now completed the search of our records and can provide you with the following information:

a. broken down by manufacturer (Bio Products Laboratory, Grifols, Biotest, CSL Behring, Octapharma, Takeda),

b. by concentration (4.5%, 5%, 20%) and

Please find attached Appendix 1 – Human Albumin Issues 2023 and 2024, detailing the above requested information.

c. by service ordering albumin (ICU, Liver unit, etc.)

Under Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, NHS National Services Scotland (NSS) does not hold the information that you have requested. NSS is unable to provide the data by service ordering however, we can provide you with the overall data per hospital.

I trust you will find the information of assistance and if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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 Associate Director Governance and Board Services (Board Secretary) at the email address <u>nss.foi@nhs.scot</u> 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.



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Yours sincerely,



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