

Aseptic Pharmaceutical Services

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

Please be aware that the Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (Royal Devon) has existed since 1st April 2022 following the integration of the Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust (known as Northern Services) and the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust (known as Eastern Services).

Dear Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust,

I would like to make a Freedom of Information Request as follows.

A number of IV drugs are reconstituted or prepared before administration Pharmacy aseptic services. If your Trust procures all or some of their aseptic pharmaceutical services from licenced compounders both NHS and Private.

1. If so, can you list the Providers your Trust Currently uses.

Answer: Baxter Healthcare, Bath ASU (Qualasept), B Braun Medical, ITH Pharma, University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust.

2. Can you indicate if your Trust has a preferred or preferred provider if so please list them.

Answer: No preference, based on PPSA contracts.

3. Does your Trust have any documentation that falls within the Scope of a competent FOI request relating to how you choose compounders if so, can I have copies. Please feel free to redact as necessary.

Answer: The Procurement Department does not hold any documentation relating to how the Trust chooses compounders, but can say that the drugs referred in this FOI request are subjected to competitive procurement through the Peninsula Purchasing and Supplies Alliance (PPSA) which manages this type of procurement on behalf on the Trust and other trusts in the South West.