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May 2020



Re: Your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Please could you send me all available information produced by your trust on PPE stocks between 5 March and 5 May 2020, including:

The stock levels of surgical gowns, pairs of surgical gloves, plastic aprons, fluid repellent surgical masks (e.g. IIR masks), FFP3 respirators, FFP3 respirators, eye protection (glasses) and eye protection (visors)

Usage of those stocks during this period (e.g. daily or weekly depletion of surgical gowns)

Any estimates at the time of how long those stocks were expected to last

If possible, could you please split this data out by healthcare setting (i.e. detail PPE stocks by all hospitals in your trust).

While I've requested information for all dates between 5 March and 5 May, I appreciate that its unlikely that your trust will have data for every date and so would just appreciate you sharing what information you do have.

If possible, could you please send information in an excel-readable format (e.g. csv or .xls).

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits please provide advice and assistance as to how I can refine my request.

Surgical gowns – these are sterile gowns presented in a double packed manner. These are for use in the operating theatre or where sterile procedural technique is required. Typically includes hand towels for sterile hand drying prior to donning sterile gloves. Within this category there are several sub categories of standard, reinforced, zonal reinforced and wet procedure. E.g. of codes would VJD4372, BWK1204, BWK8140 and BWK1175.

Isolation or procedure gown – these are typically slightly thinner than a surgeons gown but are usually made from SMS material. They can be bought both clean packed and sterile packed depending on code and area of usage. They can also be configured with an impervious front for added protection. E.g. code BW0114

Thumb loops gowns – these are typically plastic full coverage aprons with full length sleeve terminating with a thumb loop. They are most commonly used in places such as ICU and A&E and are not sterile. They can be packed in individual packets or packs of 50 in a bag. E.g. code would be BWK1277

Non sterile gowns – these are used as a coverall and for where the wearer needs protection from contaminant but the situation does not require sterility. E.G code BWO040 or BWO046.

The packaging of a product will state if it is a sterile product. It will also state or show a symbol of how the sterilisation has been performed, e.g. steam, ethylene oxide etc.

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	W/C 06/04/2020		13/04/2020		20/04/2020		27/04/2020		04/05/2020		
	Burn rate	Total number in stock per day	Days this supply will last (current usage)	Total number in stock per day	Days this supply will last (current usage)	Total number in stock per day	Days this supply will last (current usage)	Total number in stock per day	Days this supply will last (current usage)	Total number in stock per day	Days this supply will last (current usage)
Aprons	13000	107,400	8.0	170,400	13.0	240,000	18.0	198,350	15.0	138,000	10.0
Eye protection – glasses	Reusable	304	0.0	5,000	0.0	7,500	0.0	12,959	0.0	21,000	N/A
Eye protection – visors	Reusable	0	0.0	1,600	0.0	1,480	0.0	19,137	0.0	700	N/A
Fr surgical mask type iir	9000	67,000	7.0	22,700	2.0	11,400	1.0	37,200	4.0	27,000	3.0
Respirators ffp3 (cone)	400- 600	2,912	7.0	900	2.0	4,720	11.0	4,470	11.0	11,740	29.0
Gloves (nitrile)	57000	385,624	6.0	230,000	4.0	437,000	7.0	1,144,300	20.0	941,660	16.0
Gowns	500	1,200	2.0	2,400	4.0	160	0.0	9,600	19.0	2,759	5.0
Of which - sterile	200							1,320	6.0	1,471	7.0