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Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following information relating to the supply and availability of aspirin (all licensed doses used therapeutically) within your Trust

1. Current Stock and Usage

- What is the current stock level of aspirin held by your Trust (by number of tablets and number of packs)?
  150mg suppositories – 8 dose units
  300mg dispersible tabs – 11 packs of 32 and 126 dose units
  75mg: dispersible tabs – 105 packs of 28 and 76 dose units; plain tabs – 17 packs of 28 and 89 dose units.
- What is your Trust's monthly dispensing or usage volume of aspirin since May 2025 to present? Approx. 18,300 dose units per month on average.

2. Supply Disruption and Patient Impact

- Has your Trust experienced any disruption to the supply of aspirin in the past three years (2022–2025)? If yes, please provide: the date(s) the disruption was first encountered, the approximate duration, and which formulations were affected.
  75mg dispersible tabs – Dec 2025-May 2026
- Has the supply disruption required your Trust to switch patients to alternative medications? If yes, please state which alternatives were prescribed and the number of patients affected.
  Formulation switch from dispersible tablets to plain when needed.
  The Trust does not hold recorded information on the number of patients affected by this change in prescribing.
- Has your Trust raised any formal incident reports internally or with NHS England/NHS Supply Chain as a result of this supply issue? If yes, how many in the past 12 months?
  No

3. Stockpiling and Contingency

- Does your Trust hold a formal contingency or safety stock policy for aspirin? If yes, please provide the minimum stock threshold.
  Policy of 14 days minimum stockholding.
- Has your Trust increased stock levels of aspirin as a precautionary measure in the past 12 months? No
- If yes, by how many units did you increase stock levels? n/a

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If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Requests for an internal review should be submitted within 40 working days from the date of this response, and should be addressed to d.wraith@nhs.net.

If you remain dissatisfied after the internal review, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). The ICO can be contacted at:

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