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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 29th October 2023. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

Requested information:

I am writing to you under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information regarding the wound dressings used within North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust, specifically seeking details on whether these dressings contain chitosan and information about the source of these wound dressings.

I am particularly interested in the following details:

- 1) The types or brands of wound dressings currently used by North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust. **Please see appendix 1 attached.**
- 2) The sources of purchase for these wound dressings, including the names of suppliers or vendors. **All products are purchased through NHS Supply Chain**
- 3) Whether these wound dressings contain chitosan as one of their components or ingredients. **The Tissue Viability team works from a wider formulary which does contain Kytocel which is a Chitosan dressing. There is potential that during the triage process, this could be recommended for a patient in the North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust**
- 4) If available, any data or studies the hospital has regarding the efficacy of these chitosan-based dressings. **As a Trust, we research each dressing on formulary and evaluate them at a local level before we include them on the formulary.**

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review of the management of your request. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Dr Buki Adeyemo, Chief Executive, North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare Trust, Trust Headquarters, Lawton House, Bellringer Road, Trentham, ST4 8HH. If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

L. Wrench.

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Deputy Director of Governance



Description
Atrauman 7.5cm x 10cm Wound contact layer impregnated polymer dressing
Atrauman 10cm x 20cm Wound contact layer impregnated polymer dressing
Tricotex 9.5cm x 9.5cm Wound contact layer knitted viscose dressing
Aquacel Extra 10cm x 10cm Gelling fibre dressing Two layer hydrofiber
Comfeel plus 10cm x 10cm Hydrocolloid transparent dressing square
Kliniderm foam silicone border 7.5cm x 7.5cm sterile wound dressing
Kliniderm foam silicone border 12.5cm x 12.5cm sterile wound dressing
Zetuvit E Dressing pad absorbent sterile 10cm x 10cm
Zetuvit E Dressing pad absorbent sterile 10cm x 20cm
Softpore Dressing Adhesive Island Non Woven Fabric Semi Permeable Backing Sterile 6cm x 7cm
Softpore Dressing Adhesive Island Non Woven Fabric Semi Permeable Backing Sterile 10cm x 10cm
Hypafix Tape medical adhesive soft cloth 10cm x 5m Latex Free
C-View Dressing vapour-permeable adhesive film sterile 12cm x 12cm
Actifast Bandage tubular elasticated viscose 5m roll 7.5cm - blue line 2 way stretch
ActiFast Bandage tubular elasticated viscose 5m roll 10.75cm - yellow line 2 way stretch
K-Soft Bandage compression 4 layer kit component - Padding
K-Lite Bandage compression 4 layer kit component - Type 2 Light support (Layer 2) 10cm x 4.5m
Atrauman AG Wound contact layer antimicrobial silver dressing 10cm x 10cm
3M Wound closure strip sterile 6 x 38mm x 6 strips
3M Wound closure strip sterile 6 x 75mm x 3 strips