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**Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 4086**

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 23rd October 2019.

Your request was as follows:

Information requested in respect of peripheral IV cannula

Please could you kindly advise which departments and healthcare professionals within your Trust use ultrasound to support the insertion of peripheral IV cannula?

Here at The Walton Centre Foundation Trust (WCFT) we use Ultrasound to support the insertion of peripheral IV cannula when a patient has difficult IV access and not used routinely for all peripheral cannula insertions. This is used by our SMART team, Anaesthetists, Pain Consultants and Theatres as a department.

Information requested in respect of Midlines

Please could you also advise if you purchase midlines and if so:

- What brand(s) of midline do you purchase?
- What volume do you purchase on an annual basis?
- Who are the main clinicians responsible within your Trust for the insertion of Midlines?

Here at WCFT we use Arrow brand for midline, we only purchase these in packs as detailed below.

Here at The WCFT the main clinicians responsible for the insertion of Midlines is our SMART team, Anaesthetists, Pain Consultants and Theatres as a department.

Please could you also advise if you purchase a midline procedure pack and if so:

- What is the content of the Midline insertion pack that you purchase?



- What volume do you purchase on an annual basis?

Midline Catheter  
Spring wire guide  
Filter needle  
Introducer Needle 21 GA  
Introducer Needle Echogenic 21 GA  
Eclipse safety needle 25 GA  
2ml Luer slip Syringe  
5ml Luer slip syringe  
10ml Luer slip syringe  
Peel away sheath 4fr  
Towel 13 x 18  
Drape 30 x 44  
Drape 43-1/3 x 43 1/3  
Drape 37 3/8 x 39-6/16  
10 x gauze pad 4 x 4  
Transducer cover 4 12/16 x 95  
Dressing Opsite 6.5 x 5  
Dressing Tegaderm 10 x 15.5  
Dressing Grip Lock catheter fixation device  
Scalpel  
Catheter trimmer  
Sharpsaway locking disposable cup  
2 x Tourniquet  
Surgical gown  
Surgical cap  
2 x paper measure  
Microclave displacement connector  
injection site cap

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Please see our response above in [blue](#).

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Yours sincerely

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