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15th April 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 17th January 2024, 23rd January 2024 and 24th January 2024, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold some of the information you have requested. You will find that some of the answers are marked with an asterisk (*) in this instance we may hold this information, but we have been unable to locate it at this time. We have already spent over the 18-hour time limit for this request and further searching will incur a charge and additionally further delay the response. Please accept our apologies for the delay and responses below to the questions we have been able to locate information for.

In your request you asked:

- 1. When is the current contract for IOLs (Intraocular lenses) in Ophthalmology up for renewal? Please provide contract end date and extension options.**
30th June 27
- 2. When is your Phaco machinery (for cataracts) contract up for renewal? Please provide contract end date and extension options.**
Currently working on renewals.
- 3. When is your VR machinery (for vitreoretinal) contract up for renewal? Please provide contract end date and extension options.**
We do not have a VR service.
- 4. What is your current Route to Market for IOLs, Phaco and VR?**
NHS Supply Chain framework agreement
- 5. When does your procurement department plan to actively start in pretender engagement for IOLs, Phaco and VR? Please include the date.**
IOL's Jan 27; Phaco currently in progress, should be concluded end Jan – mid Feb.
- 6. Who is your current IOL provider and what brand of IOL you currently use?**
Johnson & Johnson; Technic
- 7. Who is your current Phaco machine provider?**
Bausch & Lomb
- 8. Who is your current VR machine provider?**
We do not have a VR service.

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9. How many Phaco machines do you have and what are the age of these machines?

3 at 11 years old

10. How many VR machines do you have and what are the age of these machines? -

We do not have a VR service

11. How many YAG lasers linked PCO (Posterior capsule Opacification) after cataracts have you undertaken between: 2021-2022 2022-2023 Calendar Year

	21/22	22/23	Grand Total
Count of Unique Patients	103	202	305

Please note: this is the number of unique patients that have had a cataract procedure in 21/22 or 22/23 and had a laser appointment in the same time period.

- Where a patient has had 2 procedures, the initial procedure will be considered the starting point.
- Where a patient has had more than 1 appointment in the time period, the first appointment after the initial procedure date will be considered applicable towards the count. Any further appointments or appointments before the procedure dates will be discounted.

Therefore, this is a unique list of patients, not procedures or appointments.

A cataract procedure is defined as:

Patients with either combination of the following OPCS codes for an admitted spell between 21/22 or 22/23:

- C751 (Insertion of prosthetic replacement for lens NEC (insertion)) and C712 Phacoemulsification of lens (removal)
- C712 Phacoemulsification of lens (removal) - Only can be coded if there is a complication / issue and a new lens not inserted immediately.

An outpatient clinic attendance is defined as a completed attendance at one of the following clinics between 21/22 or 22/23:

- LASER KMH INITIATIVE LASIN
- LASER KMH LAS1A
- LASER KMH LAS3A
- LASER KMH LAS3M
- LASER KMH LAS4A
- LASER KMH LAS4P
- LASER KMH LAS5A
- LASER LAS OPHTHALMOLOGY KMH LAS2P
- LASER LAS OPHTHALMOLOGY KMH LAS2A
- LASER NWK LASNE

12. Do you have any subcontracting arrangements for Cataract Surgery with the independent sector within this financial year, if so please provide details including volumes?

No.

13. Who is the procurement lead or lead Trust for Ophthalmology on behalf of your ICS, and what plans do you have for Ophthalmology?

Head of Procurement; no current plans from a Procurement perspective.

14. Does the Trust currently complete Optical Biometry for the purpose of selecting an Intraocular Lens choice for Cataract Surgery? [YES/NO]

Yes

15. Which department for the Trust is responsible for carrying out the Optical Biometry? [e.g. Outpatients, Ophthalmology, Other]

Ophthalmology & Orthoptics, with the biometrics being undertaken by either a specialist trained nurse or orthoptist.

16. Is there a specified role within this department that is responsible for Optical Biometry? [e.g. Consultant Ophthalmologist, Registrar, Orthoptist, Nurse, etc.]

Consultant is responsible overall for the service as the Lead.

Nurse & Orthoptist roles perform biometry.

17. How many biometry calculations does the department complete during an average week? [Number]

73 Average

18. How many pieces of equipment does the department use for Optical Biometry, and what is the manufacturer, model and age? [Please list these, including Manufacturer, Model, and Age of Equipment]

Model & Description	Manufacturer	Acceptance Date
IOLMaster 700 Biometer	Carl Zeiss Ltd	15/04/2023
IOLMaster 700 Biometer	Carl Zeiss Ltd	10/05/2022
IOL 500 Lensmaster	Carl Zeiss Ltd	05/11/2012
IOL Master	Carl Zeiss Ltd	05/11/2012

19. Is this equipment owned, leased or rented by the department? [Owned / Leased / Rented]

Owned

20. If the equipment is Leased or Rented, how long is this contract, and when does it come to an end? Is there an option to extend the contract? Is this contract linked to the purchase of any related consumables, e.g. IOLs? [Length], [Date], [YES / NO], [RELATED CONSUMABLE?]

N/A

21. Does the Trust / department replace these after a fixed time period, and if so, what is this time period in years? [YES / NO], [Years]

Typically 10 Years

22. Does the Trust / Department currently have a service contract in place for this equipment with either the equipment manufacturer or another maintenance provider? [MANUFACTURER / 3rd PARTY / NO]

Yes

23. Is the Trust currently in the buying cycle for new biometry equipment? [YES / NO]

No

24. If Yes, when is this procurement exercise expected to take place? [Expected Date]

N/A

25. If No, does the Trust plan to start the buying cycle within the next 3 years? [YES / NO]

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26. Does the Trust link the Biometry measurements to an electronic patient record (PACS or EHR system), or are these stored on the equipment locally and printed? [EHR SYSTEM / PAPER RECORDS / OTHER]
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27. If EHR, which electronic patient record system does the Trust use? [e.g. MediSoft, HIVE, FORUM, etc.]
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28. Can these electronic biometry measurements be accessed in the department only, or in the Operating Theatre during surgery? [Department Only / Operating Theatre / N/A]
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29. Does the Trust currently use an Operating Microscope for the purposes of Ophthalmic Surgery? [YES / NO]
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30. How many pieces of microscopy equipment does the operating department use for Ophthalmic Surgery, and what is the manufacturer, model and age? [Please list these, including Manufacturer, Model, and Age of Equipment]
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31. Are these microscopes free-standing or ceiling-mounted? [Floor-standing / Ceiling-Mounted]
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32. Is this equipment owned, leased or rented by the department? [Owned / Leased / Rented]
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33. If the equipment is Leased or Rented, how long is this contract, and when does it come to an end? Is there an option to extend the contract? Is this contract linked to the purchase of any related consumables, e.g. IOLs? [Length], [Date], [YES / NO], [RELATED CONSUMABLE?]
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34. Does the Trust / department plan to replace these after a fixed time period, and if so, what is this time period in years? [YES / NO], [Years]
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35. Does the Trust / Department currently have a service contract in place for this equipment with either the equipment manufacturer or another maintenance provider? [MANUFACTURER / 3rd PARTY / NO]
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36. Is the Trust currently in the buying cycle for new ophthalmic microscopy equipment? [YES / NO]
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37. If Yes, when is this procurement exercise expected to take place? [Expected Date]
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38. If No, does the Trust plan to start the buying cycle within the next 3 years? [YES / NO]
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39. What is the Trust's route to market for new pieces of ophthalmic microscopy equipment? [Direct Purchase Agreement / NHSSC / Other]
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40. Does the Trust currently use a Digital System / 3D Viewing System for the purposes of Ophthalmic Surgery, or for any other surgical department? [YES / NO / Other – If other please specify]
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41. How many pieces of Digital System / 3D Viewing System equipment does the operating department use for Ophthalmic Surgery, and what is the manufacturer, model and age? [Please list these, including Manufacturer, Model, and Age of Equipment]
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42. Is this equipment owned, leased or rented by the department? [Owned / Leased / Rented]
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43. If the equipment is Leased or Rented, how long is this contract, and when does it come to an end? Is there an option to extend the contract? Is this contract linked to the purchase of any related consumables, e.g. IOLs? [Length], [Date], [YES / NO], [RELATED CONSUMABLE?]
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44. Does the Trust / Department plan to replace these after a fixed time period, and if so, what is this time period in years? [YES / NO], [Years]
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45. Does the Trust / Department currently have a service contract in place for this equipment with either the equipment manufacturer or another maintenance provider? [MANUFACTURER / 3rd PARTY / NO]
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46. Is the Trust currently in the buying cycle for a new ophthalmic surgery Digital System / 3D viewing system? [YES / NO]
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47. If Yes, when is this procurement exercise expected to take place? [Expected Date]
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48. If No, does the Trust plan to start the buying cycle within the next 3 years? [YES / NO]
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49. Does the Trust have access to an innovation budget to support surgical advancements, for example to fund the provision of a 3D Viewing System for Ophthalmic Surgery to assist with training? [YES / NO / UNSURE]
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50. What would be the Trust's route to market for a new ophthalmic surgery 3D viewing system? [Direct Purchase Agreement / NHSSC / Other]
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I trust this information answers your request. Should you have any further enquiries or queries about this response please do not hesitate to contact me. However, if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, you have the right to ask for an internal review. 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: Sally Brook Shanahan, Director of Corporate Affairs, King's Mill Hospital, Mansfield Road, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, NG17 4JL or email sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net.

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Yours faithfully

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