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I am responding to your request for information received 18<sup>th</sup> November 2024. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office  
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**Chief Executive Officer:** Lorraine Sunduza  
**Chair:** Eileen Taylor

**Request:**

**Regarding the use of nasojejunal (NJ) feeding tubes within East London NHS Foundation Trust:**

**Question 1: Nasojejunal tube placement procedures: The number of nasojejunal tube (NJ) placement procedures completed within the last 12 months / financial year – whichever is easiest to identify (please specify the period covered). This information should be easily accessible from the endoscopy department database**

**Answer:** The Trust has reviewed question 1 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

*Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—  
(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and  
(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to them.*

East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not conduct surgical procedures as described in this request. The Trust is therefore unable to provide a response.

**Question 2a: Brands and suppliers of nasojejunal tubes: The manufacturer brand(s) of nasojejunal feeding tubes used by endoscopists within the Trust within the last 12 months. This is likely to include: Fresenius Kabi, Cook, Avanos, GBUK Group, Medicina etc.**

**Answer:** The Trust has reviewed question 2a of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

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East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not employ endoscopy professionals as described in this request. The Trust is therefore unable to provide a response.



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**Question 2b: Brands and suppliers of nasojejunal tubes: The supplier of nasojejunal feeding tubes used by endoscopists within the Trust e.g. NHS Supply Chain**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2b of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

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(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to them.*

East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not employ endoscopy professionals as described in this request. The Trust is therefore unable to provide a response.

**Question 3: Please supply the quantity of each NJ tube brand purchased in each of the last three years, broken down by year (e.g., 2021, 2022, 2023). Please specify whether the number purchased relates to the number of tubes or box quantities. If the number of boxes is provided, please specify the quantity per box.**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2a of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

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(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and  
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East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not provide such endoscopy services as described in this request. The Trust is therefore unable to provide a response.



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