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Subject: Renal (Dialysis)

REQUEST

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information about your trusts renal/haemodialysis department:

1. What services does your renal department offer? EG, haemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis, therapeutic plasma exchange, etc.
2. Is the renal service provided by the trust, or by an external provider (that would include staffing, equipment, servicing, consumables etc) as a managed service?
3. If the service is provided by an external provider, please state the start date of the contract and when the contract is expected to end.
4. If this is not a managed service, are any contracts in place for consumables and servicing of equipment? If yes, please state expected end dates of each contract, if applicable.
5. How many dialysis treatments does your department deliver on average per week?
6. Please provide information on the haemodialysis machines in the following format:

Manufacturer/Brand	Model	Date of Install/Purchase	Hospital	Quantity

RESPONSE

Please see the response below from Whiston Hospital Critical Care, Mersey West Lancs NHS Trust

1. Our critical care unit currently offers acute hemofiltration for critically ill and improving inpatients. Our equipment is suitable for plasma exchange, and it is performed on the unit, but by the NHS blood transport service and they bring their own equipment and specialist nurses for the duration of the treatment. We do not currently offer haemodialysis currently within the critical care.
2. Hemofiltration is provided by the trust, and this includes staffing, equipment and consumables and we have an annual service agreement with the equipment company. Once haemodialysis is up and running, we would expect the same process Plasma exchange we again use NHS blood transplant service, and they provide the expert staffing, equipment, and consumables, however the trust provides the blood products.
3. The contract is provided by Baxter.
4. We do not have a contract for plasma exchange, this treatment is provided as required on an individual patient basis. As the need for this service is low in frequency, it has not warranted an annual contract.
5. Our HF machines service contract is with Vantive and is due to expire on 31/3/2026.
6. We do not deliver Dialysis currently. Hemofiltration could be provided for up to 3 patients per week (as it is an Ongoing therapy)

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Baxter /Gambro (haemo filtration only)	Prismax	2019	Southport	1
Baxter /Gambro (haemofiltration only)	prismaflex	2019	Southport	2
5008S Cordiax dialysis machine	5008S	2023	Southport	1
Reverse Osmosis – Fresenius Aqua C Uno H	Aqua C Uno H	2023	Southport	1