

Ref. No: 2266
Date: 07/01/26
Subject: Ultrasound Systems

REQUEST

1. How many Ultrasound Systems does the Trust own?
40
2. Please provide the Original Equipment Manufacturer name of each installed Ultrasound System.
See attached spreadsheet.
3. Please provide the Original Equipment Manufacturer System Type of each installed Ultrasound System.
See attached spreadsheet.
4. Please list the Departmental location of each individual Ultrasound System asset installed across the Trust.
See attached spreadsheet.
5. Does the Trust maintain any of the Trust's Ultrasound Systems by utilising external service provider(s)?
Yes
6. Does the Trust maintain any of the Trust's Ultrasound Systems by utilising your own internal Engineering staff?
Not in Radiology.
7. If an external service provider(s) is used, please provide the name of the contracted service provider?
GE Healthcare and Canon
8. If an external service provider(s) is used, what was the contract award value?

Part of Radiology managed equipment service (MES), including 5 year refreshment cycles and service.

We do not receive a breakdown of costs but an estimate for would be £319.144k per year.

9. **If an external service provider(s) is used, what is the contract type – PPM/ Fully- Comprehensive / Ad-hoc support?**
Comprehensive.
10. If an external service provider(s) is used, what is the contract renewal date(s)?
20 year MES contract, including 5 year refreshments and service.
11. Please provide the name, email address of the role responsible for managing medical devices within the Trust
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12. If medical device maintenance is managed internally, how many clinical engineers are employed by the Trust?
None to maintain US machines.
13. What is the current % of assets 'within service date' – i.e., the date by which a device must be serviced has not expired?
100%

Definitions

Ultrasound Devices

For the purposes of this request, this includes any diagnostic Ultrasound equipment, such as portable ultrasound units, point-of-care ultrasound (PoCUS) devices, or cart-based ultrasound systems.

PPM

Planned Preventative Maintenance, i.e. annual service.

Fully Comprehensive

Maintenance contract covering the cost of Planned Maintenance and cost of repair parts and labour of equipment.

Ad-hoc support

Subcontracted work to an engineering company on an informal basis.

*For clarity, contact details are kept in the strictest confidence. These details are used only to contact regarding information of legitimate interest for the relevant contracts.

RESPONSE