

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