

Ref. No: 1320
Date: 05/11/24
Subject: Video Laryngoscope

REQUEST

1. In your hospital, what number of operating theatres are routinely used for surgery requiring intubation ?
2. What was the 12 month total of surgical procedures requiring intubation ?
3. What was the 12 month total number of purchased direct laryngoscopes, both single use and reusable – broken down by item, identifying supplier.
4. What was the 12 month total number of purchased video laryngoscope single use consumables i.e. blades – broken down by item, identifying supplier? Excluding stylets, bougie, ET tubes.
5. What was the 12 month total number of purchased video laryngoscope reusable items (i.e. displays and handsets) – broken down by item, identifying supplier?
6. What was the 12 month total spend on video laryngoscope single use consumables ?
7. Do you have a contract in place for video laryngoscope single use consumables ?
8. If so, with which supplier, running to what expiry date, and who is the best Trust contact to discuss this contract ? Are there specified prices for consumables, and if so, what are such prices ?

RESPONSE

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