

Reference Number: FOI/2019/420
From: Commercial
Date: 22 October 2019
Subject: Use of Surgical Dyes

Q1 Please could I kindly request information in respect to the volume (in millilitres) per annum of surgical dyes that you purchase. Please state from the list below which dye the trust uses.

- a. Blue Marker,
- b. Patent Blue/Sulfan Blue,
- c. Indigo Carmine,
- d. Methylene Blue (methylthioninium chloride),
- e. Indocyanine Green
- f. Toluidine Blue

A1 a. Blue Marker

Q2 Please could you provide information on which surgical specialties use a surgical dye; and from the list above which dye do they prefer?

A2 Information not held

Q3 Please could you provide information in respect to how many procedures require a blue dye, per annum?

A3 Information not held

Q4 Please could you provide information in respect to which procedures require a blue dye, the volume used (in millilitres) per procedure, and the code associated with each procedure, per annum?

A4 Information not held

Q5 Please could you provide information in respect to which purchasing route the prefer dye is obtained?

A5 Purchased via NHS Supply Chain