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From: Commercial
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Subject: Personal sampling tests for Nitrous Oxide/Entonox

Q1 Have you carried out nitrous oxide/Entonox personal sampling in your trust?
a. If so, which departments have you carried out personal sampling in?

A1 The levels are measured of staff exposure to anaesthetic agents (namely N2O) whilst working to ensure that levels are within safe limits and that the Workplace Exposure Limits (WEL) are not being breached.
a. Theatres and Endoscopy

Q2 Did you find high results in any staff members?
If yes:
a. How many staff members were affected?
b. What was the highest result you found?
c. Were these staff members informed?
d. What action was taken? (e.g. have you installed mobile destruction units?)

A2 No

Q3 Have you suspended the use of Entonox at your trust?

A3 Yes