

**Reference Number:** FOI202425/522  
**From:** Commercial  
**Date:** 18 February 2025  
**Subject:** Trust Processes to Reduce Medication Waste

Q1 Does your Trust have a formal policy on medicines waste reduction?  
i. Yes/No

A1 No

Q2 Have any sustainability or environmental impact assessments been conducted regarding your Trust's pharmaceutical waste  
i. Yes/No  
ii. If yes, please provide a brief summary of key findings.

A2 No

Q3 Do you currently employ any staff specifically to support medicines waste?  
i. Yes/No  
ii. If yes, how many full time equivalents do you employ?

A3 No

Q4 How often does your organisation report on the management of waste (including cost) at Board level?  
i. Annually/Quarterly/Monthly/Never/Other (please state)

A4 Waste management compliance reports go to the Health and Safety committee every quarter - The Ops board would discuss issues, investments, change in regulations etc as and when required.

Q5 For each of the hospitals in your Trust, what is the value of medication you have had to waste in the last 2 financial years? This the value of medication that was the property of the hospital at the point it was wasted, i.e. the cost of medication that expired before it could be used.

A5	22/23	£10,425.45
	23/24	£13,711.64

Q6 For each hospital in your Trust, what has been your total drug spend over the past two financial years?

A6	22/23	£31,326,950
	23/24	£34,150,419

Q7 For the last two financial years combined what is the drug that you have wasted the most of, and what was the total cost?

A7	In terms of quantity:		
	METHADONE!1mg/mL!MIXTURE (500mL)	3479mL	£ 16.49
	In terms of cost:		
	LIOTHYRONINE!20microgram!INJECTION (5 amps)	5 amps	£ 1,881.00

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A8 Not applicable as per A2