

## FOI 0362/2023 Response

I would be most grateful if you would provide me, under the Freedom of Information Act, details in respect to your NHS Trust, please see the questions below:

This request relates specifically to the training (if any) that the Trust provides to its clinical staff, for example nurses, in how to correctly use medical devices.

**Medical Device = A medical device is any device intended to be used for medical purposes. For the purposes of this query, examples such as Anaesthetic machine, patient monitor, Infusion device, ECG Machine, defibrillator, thermometers, etc.**

### **\*\*\* Note:**

Trust explicitly use ECG machines and Defibrillators. Patient monitors and thermometers are individually purchased.

### **1. Do employees at the trust undertake clinical end user training for medical devices?**

The Trust has the following individual item training:

ECG – training on the technique and use of the machine.

Defibrillators – training on the technique of resuscitation and use of the machine.

### **2. Which departments or employee titles are required to undertake medical device end user training?**

ECG training is for technicians and medics only.

Resuscitation (ELS/ILS) training is for all clinical facing staff.

### **3. How is the training provided?**

- **Online/E-learning**
- **Other (please state)**

ECG training is provided in person training.

Resuscitation training is provided in a combination of online & in person.

### **4. Who provides/ produces the training?**

- **Manufacturer**

ECG presently GE Healthcare MAC800, anticipated to change to Eden.

Live defibs are Philips Heartstart FRx.

Defib pads are Philips Heartstart Smart Pads II.

- **A third party (please provide the name of the provider)**

**Other (please state)**

Individual directly employed by the Trust.

**5. What types of medical devices are subject to such end user training?**

Please refer to the response provided in question 1.

**6. If the training is online/e-learning, what Learning Management System (LMS) does the Trust use for employee training? Examples: Moodle, Totara, Mindflash, Google**

The Trust uses classroom and clinical setting.

**7. If you do use Learning Management Software, does it enable managers to see whether their staff are up to date with training?**

For generic training managers are able to see if staff members are up to date with training. However they are unable to staff members training status for the mention device training.

**8. Is annual recertification of competence managed manually, or does your Learning Management System automatically send reminders and allocate the appropriate courses to users?**

Resuscitation – yes.

ECG – no.

**9. How much funding has the trust allocated to e-Learning in the past year?**

The Trust do not receive funding routinely and we have not received any funding for eLearning last year.