

Freedom of Information Act 2000 disclosure log entry

Reference

18-19355

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13/02/2019

Subject

Procurement via Catalogue and Contract

Details of enquiry

Please note, the questions all refer to procurement metrics drawn up in the 2016 Carter Review.

- 1) What percentage of the trust's transaction volume is operated through an electronic catalogue?
- 2) What percentage of the trust's transaction volume is covered by electronic purchase orders?
- 3) What percentage of the trust's transaction volume is covered by a contract?

Please note for Questions 1, 2, and 3 please give your most up-to-date figure at the time of responding.

Response Sent

We have already advised you, in initial response to the FOI enquiry, that the information requested (based on the Carter review), does not seem applicable to us, and have explained our reasons for this, which are that:

- i. Your request states '*the questions all refer to procurement metrics drawn up in the 2016 Carter Review*' yet these metrics were written for Acute Trusts, and we are not an Acute Trust. The Carter Metrics have not yet been rolled out to us, and therefore we are not currently required to comply with its requirements.
- ii. The Tavistock and Portman NHS Foundation Trust is a specialist mental health Trust providing outpatient psychotherapy services, not acute services. Information about the Trust can be found on www.tavistockandportman.nhs.uk
- iii. Any response we might provide to these questions cannot be measured against compliance with the Carter Metrics requirements, as there is currently no obligation on this Trust to comply.

In light of your response that nevertheless you still wish to receive the answers to your initial enquiry, this is as follows, with a strong caveat that the Carter Review Metrics do not apply to the Tavistock and Portman NHS Foundation Trust, as fully explained above.

- 1) What percentage of the trust's transaction volume is operated through an electronic catalogue?

- 0%

- 2) What percentage of the trust's transaction volume is covered by electronic purchase orders?

As of January 2019 this was measured to be 50%

- 3) What percentage of the trust's transaction volume is covered by a contract?

We do not hold this data in a collatable form, as this information is currently held locally in separate files within departments.

We are in the process of setting up a Trust-wide contracts register, and to collate this information manually would require resources far beyond those provisioned by FOIA 2000 as a maximum of 18hours staff time.