FOI 2736

Date 28/11/2023

Dear Requester,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request. Please note, this is a cross-site response for Bedford site and Luton site.

You asked:

**Please may you provide me with information regarding the following?**

1. Whether the trust inserts Midlines in inpatients.

Yes

1. Whether the trust inserts PICCs (Peripherally Inserted Central Catheters) in inpatients.

Yes

1. If either or both of the above medical devices are inserted by the trust, which department provides this service (Anaesthetics, Interventional Radiology etc.)?

Inpatient PICCs & Midlines are inserted by a dedicated Vascular Access Team.

Anaesthetics provide support on Bedford site if needed for PICC insertions.

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Yours sincerely,

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