FOI 2765

Date 12/01/2024

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:

1. What is the total value of spend by your NHS Trust on unlicensed medication (i.e. Special Order, Drug Tariff Special Order, Part VIIID Drug Tariff Special Order) that have a BNF liquid formulation (e.g. liquid, solution, suspension)? Please provide this information on a volume and value basis for the following years *(please fill in the tables below).
Note:* Value of spend to mean either net ingredient cost or actual cost. Please state which you have used below. Actual cost would be the total cost to NHS commissioners whereas NIC is the cost at list price excluding VAT.

We do not break down our unlicensed purchases as per the table so we have provided a total figure.

Total value:

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| --- | --- |
| Type | Total spend / cost on liquid unlicensed products procured |
| Apr-20 toMar-21 | Apr-21 toMar-22 | Apr-22 to Mar-23 |
| Special Order |  |  |  |
| Drug Tariff Special Order |  |  |  |
| Part VIIID Drug Tariff Special Order |  |  |  |
| Other Special |  |  |  |
| Total | Bedford Site: £13,796.76Luton Site: £65,422.95 | Bedford Site: £10,753.46Luton Site: £68,560.32 | Bedford Site: £9,486.67Luton Site: £71,290.87 |

Total volume:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Type | Total volume of liquid unlicensed products procured |
| Apr-20 toMar-21 | Apr-21 toMar-22 | Apr-20 toMar-21 |
| Special Order |  |  |  |
| Drug Tariff Special Order |  |  |  |
| Part VIIID Drug Tariff Special Order |  |  |  |
| Other Special |  |  |  |
| Total | Bedford Site: 52,130mL  | Bedford Site: 64,290mL | Bedford Site: 47,630mLLuton Site: 82,200mL |

1. Do you outsource the manufacturing of liquid unlicensed products?

Yes

1. If no to question 2 (use of outsourcing providers), what proportion of the products that you manufacture in-house are aseptically compounded rather than terminally sterilised?

N/A

1. If yes to question 2 (use of outsourcing providers), what is the total value of spend by provider? Please provide this information for the following years *(please fill in the tables below).*

*Note:* If more than 10 providers are used, please only detail spend with the top 10.

Bedford Site:

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| Outsourcing provider*(fill in empty rows with provider name, add rows if required)* | Total value of liquid specials procured from each provider |
| Apr-20 toMar-21 | Apr-21 toMar-22 | Apr-20 toMar-21 |
| Rosemont |  £1178.47 |  £1411.26 | £1281.97 |
| Oxford pharm Store |  £3951.81 |  £5765.41 | £6043.83 |
| Nova Labs |  £964.80 |  £3122.59 | £174.26 |
| Clinigen |   |   | £224.64 |
| Mawdsleys Unlicensed |  £1630.39 |  £1287.78 | £569.18 |

Luton Site:

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| --- | --- |
| Outsourcing provider*(fill in empty rows with provider name, add rows if required)* | Total value of liquid specials procured from each provider |
| Apr-20 toMar-21 | Apr-21 toMar-22 | Apr-22 toMar-23 |
| Rosemont |  £359.03 |  £202.50 | £259.92 |
| Oxford pharm Store |  £ 5128.39 |  £7,421.82 | £13,036.77 |
| Nova Labs |  £ 9,079.57 |  £8,512.34 | £6,994.69 |
| Clinigen |  £1652.76 |   | £ 371.95 |
| Mawdsleys Unlicensed |  £2,715.17 |  £4,776.70 | £4,001.54 |

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 Yours sincerely,

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