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From:

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Subject: Products purchased/used within the Trust containing Chitin/Chitosan

- Q1 a. Is any of the product(s) purchased/used in your hospital contain Chitin/Chitosan (e.g. surgical sutures, materials in wound healing/tissue engineering/dentistry/drug delivery)?
b. Do you plan on utilizing products containing Chitin/Chitosan in the next two years?

- A1 a. Information not held – the Trust does not routinely collate or hold this information centrally as part of its management or performance data.
b. No

- Q2 a. What product(s) do you have in the hospital (or intend to purchase) that contains Chitin/Chitosan?
b. For each product listed in response to Question Q2a, could you please provide the following details:
i. The product's brand name.
ii. The purpose of the product and in which department it is used.
The approximate volume of the product used/purchased over the last financial year (1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023).

- A2 Information not held – the Trust does not routinely collate or hold this information centrally as part of its management or performance data

- Q3 Has the hospital received any complaints or filed any cases of side effects from using the Chitin/Chitosan product(s) mentioned above? If so, please provide detail of the following:
a. Number of cases in years 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023
b. Description of the most three common side effects
c. Which product(s) caused the most commonly seen side effects

- A3 No
a-c: Information not held

- Q4 Is there any limitation(s), certification(s), or regulatory requirement(s) that are bounded when utilizing Chitin/Chitosan in the hospital (i.e. ISO standards or Ethics, etc)? If so, please specify.

- A4 Information not held – as per A1 above

- Q5 Is the hospital currently or will be promoting any new products containing chitin or chitosan?

- A5 No

