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From: Commercial
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Subject: Flexible Endoscopes

Q1 In the last year, how many flexible endoscopes required emergency out of hours cleaning?

A1 14

Q2 Are endoscopes reprocessed within the hospital or outsourced to a separate decontamination facility?
a. If reprocessing is outsourced, which facility is used?
b. How often and at which times of the day, are endoscopes collected and returned to the unit from the external reprocessing unit?
c. How are endoscopes transported between the hospital and external reprocessing unit?

A2 Within Hospital

Q3 Are there on call decontamination staff?

A3 Yes

Q4 How is the time elapsed between completing pre-cleaning and starting the manual clean/AER quantified and recorded?

A4 Information not held - Not currently captured

Q5 Do you have a delayed reprocessing protocol in place?
a. If so, is adherence to this protocol monitored and what system is used to monitor this?

A5 Process in place, adherence not monitored currently

Q6 What is the current endoscope transport system used and who is the supplier?

A6 Not applicable as per A2

Q7 How much is spent per year on endoscope transportation systems?

A7 Not applicable as per A2

Q8 What is the current endoscope track and trace system used?

A8 Health Edge

Q9 How much is spent per year on endoscope track and trace systems?

A9 £1,899.00

Q10 Would the endoscopy unit be happy to be contacted regarding trialling new endoscope infection prevention consumable products? If yes, please provide a contact name and details.

A10 No