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## **NHS Medical Equipment Tracking**

### **1. Current Use of Asset Tracking**

a) Does your organisation use any system to track the location of medical equipment?

(Yes / **No**)

If "No" go to section 4.

b) If yes, which of the following methods are used to track equipment? (please select all that apply)

- Fixed scanners or handheld scanners that detect tagged equipment automatically (e.g. radio-frequency or similar technologies)
- Tags or sensors attached to equipment that provide location updates within buildings (e.g. via Bluetooth or similar signals)
- Scanning barcodes or QR codes on equipment using mobile devices
- Location tracking using GPS (e.g. for equipment used in the community)
- Manual recording of equipment location (e.g. spreadsheets, paper records, or asset registers)
- Other (please specify)

c) If known, please provide the name(s) of any supplier(s) used.

### **2. Scope of Tracking**

a) Does tracking cover:

- Acute settings only
- Acute and community settings
- Community settings only

b) Approximately how many assets are tracked?

- <1,000
- 1,000–5,000
- 5,000–10,000
- 10,000+

### **3. Operational Challenges**

Does your organisation experience any of the following? (please select all that apply)

- Equipment not available when needed
- Time spent by staff searching for equipment
- Difficulty locating devices for maintenance or compliance

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- None of the above

**4. Evaluation and Future Plans**

**a) Has your organisation produced any internal report or evaluation relating to asset tracking systems?**

**(Yes / No)**

**b) Are there plans to review or expand asset tracking capabilities within the next 24 months?**

**(Yes / No / Unknown)**