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FOI REQUEST Ref:36909

Halal Meat Enquiry

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to make a Freedom of Information Request related to the following hospitals operated by your trust:

Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast City Hospital, Mater Infirmorum Hospital, Musgrave Park Hospital, and Royal Belfast Hospital for Sick Children.

1. Do any of the hospitals listed above serve ANY HALAL MEAT?

We do not specify Halal meat when contracting or purchasing meat, however on occasion our supplier may deliver frozen Halal chicken, depending on the availability and price of chicken on the market. Any patient in all the above Hospitals who asks for a Halal meal will receive a specific Halal meal which is manufactured and labelled as such.

2. If the answer to (1) is "yes", is it labelled as such?

Only specially produced Halal meals are labelled as "Halal"

3. If the answer to (1) is "yes", what percentage of meat served is Halal?

Less than 1% of meals served in the above list of hospitals are specifically served as Halal

4. If the answer to (1) is "yes", who is your supplier?

Supplier of specifically served Halal meals is VF Foods, manufacturer is Hermolis.