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Subject: Radiology, PACS and Pathology systems

Question 1:

What is the main Radiology (RIS/CRIS) system that your Trust/Health Board runs?

RVH- Wellbeing CRIS- supplied by Philips Healthcare as part of a managed equipment Service

BCH- GE Healthcare Centricity RISi, supplied by Medipass as part of a Managed Equipment Service

MIH, MPH, RBHSC, Breast service - Sectra (NIPACS) - Managed centrally for Northern Ireland by Business Services Organisation

Note abbreviations: RVH – Royal Victoria Hospital, BCH – Belfast City Hospital, MIH – Mater Informorium Hospital, MPH – Musgrave Park Hospital, RBHSC – Royal Belfast Hospital for Sick Children

Who is the supplier of this system?

- See above

What is the annual cost of the system?

- RVH and BCH systems are part of a much wider managed equipment service and the exact costs cannot be separated from the broader MES. Additionally this information is commercially sensitive and is exempt under Section 43 Commercial Interests
- NIPACS (Sectra) contract is not managed by the Trust. This is managed centrally for Northern Ireland by Business Services Organisation. BSO would need to be contacted in relation to these costs. Their email address is FOI.BSO@hscni.net

How long is the contract for the system, and when does it expire?

- RVH, BCH- the NIPACS+ project, which is at an advanced stage having identified a preferred bidder, will incorporate the RVH and BCH sites.
- NIPACS- business case for replacement submitted to the DoH NI for replacement to cover all of NI Radiology including RVH and BCH sites. It is hoped that the contract can be awarded to the successful vendor in the coming months.

What is the overall lifetime cost of the system?

- RVH and BCH part of MES and lifetime costs cannot be extracted from the overall project cost. Additionally this information is commercially sensitive and is exempt under Section 43 Commercial Interests.

Question 2:

What is the main Picture Archiving and Communications System (PACS)

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system that your Trust/Health Board runs?

RVH- Philips Intellispace
BCH- GE Universal Viewer PACS
MIH, MPH RBHSC and Breast service - Sectra iDS7

Who is the supplier of this system?

Philips Healthcare, GE Healthcare and Sectra Ltd

What is the annual cost of the system?

- As per RIS response above

How long is the contract for the system, and when does it expire?

- As per RIS response above

What is the overall lifetime cost of the system?

- As per RIS response above

Question 3:

What is the main Pathology (LIMS) system that your Trust/Health Board runs?

- The main LIMS system run by the Belfast Health and Care Social Trust is called LABCENTRE.

Who is the supplier of this system?

- The system is supplied by a firm called CLINISYS.

What is the annual cost of the system?

- This information is commercially sensitive and is exempt under Section 43 Commercial Interests.

How long is the contract for the system, and when does it expire?

- The current contract lasts two years expiring on 31 January 2023 with an option for a third year which may be taken up to run until 31 January 2024 when a new regional information management system for Laboratories is expected to be in place. That procurement exercise has been completed.

What is the overall lifetime cost of the system?

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