



FOI REF: 24/831

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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

**I am writing to request information regarding the use of nasojejunal (NJ) feeding tubes by East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust.**

**Specifically, I would like to request the following information:**

**1) Nasojejunal tube placement procedures:**

- a) **The number of nasojejunal tube (NJ) placement procedures completed within the last 12 months / financial year – whichever is easiest to identify (please specify the period covered). This information should be easily accessible from the endoscopy department database.**

[47, between 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023 and 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024.](#)

**2) Brands and suppliers of nasojejunal tubes:**

- a) **The manufacturer brand(s) of nasojejunal feeding tubes used by endoscopists within the Trust within the last 12 months. This is likely to include: Fresenius Kabi, Cook, Avanos, GBUK Group, Medicina etc.**

[Fresenius Kabi.](#)

[Medicina.](#)

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- b) **The supplier of nasojejunal feeding tubes used by endoscopists within the Trust e.g. NHS Supply Chain.**

Fresenius Kabi from NHS Supply Chain.

Medicina from Procurement.

**3) Purchasing data for nasojejunal Feeding Tubes:**

- a) **Please supply the quantity of each NJ tube brand purchased in each of the last three years, broken down by year (e.g., 2021, 2022, 2023).**
- b) **Please specify whether the number purchased relates to the number of tubes or box quantities. If the number of boxes is provided, please specify the quantity per box.**

Brand	2021	2022	2023
Fresenius Kabi	69	52	61

- Please note that the Fresenius Kabi tubes are sold as single units, not boxes.
- The Trust only started to purchase Medicina nasojejunal feeding tubes in 2024, so there are no figures for 2021, 2022 or 2023.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department ([esh-tr.foi@nhs.net](mailto:esh-tr.foi@nhs.net)), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

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Yours sincerely

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