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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:

**We'd really appreciate your response in relation to the below questions, concerning the custom orthopaedic implant requests that may or may not have been seen from the orthopaedic department between 2024- 2025.**

- 1) **What was the total number of custom implant requests, specifically in cases relating to hip, knee and/or shoulder arthroplasty?**

None.

- 2) **For custom hip implants, what was the proportion of acetabular/femoral implants manufactured?**

Not applicable.

- 3) **What was the total spend for these custom implant requests?**

Not applicable.

- 4) **What suppliers were used to manufacture these custom implants?**

Not applicable.

- 5) **Is there a further need for custom implant manufacturers that could support the department?**

No.

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

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