

FOI REF: 25/757

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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:

- 1) **Does your Trust stock hyaluronidase (e.g., Hyalase®) within the hospital pharmacy?**

Yes.

- 2) **Is hyaluronidase available for immediate use in the Emergency Department (A&E) or accessible without delay 24/7?**

No.

- 3) **If yes, please specify:**

- a) **The formulation stocked (e.g., 1500 IU vials, other).**

Not applicable.

- b) **Typical number of vials routinely held.**

Not applicable.

- c) **The location of stock (ED, theatre, on-call pharmacy, etc.).**

Not applicable.

- 4) **If not routinely stocked in A&E, what is the typical time and process required to obtain hyaluronidase in an emergency?**

It takes about 10-15 minutes to obtain the drug. The Emergency Department calls in the site manager, who gets the drug from the Emergency Cupboard and takes it to the Emergency Department.

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5) Does your Trust have a written protocol for management of vascular occlusion secondary to hyaluronic acid dermal filler injection?

The Trust does not currently have a written protocol for management of vascular occlusion secondary to hyaluronic acid dermal filler injection, but it is looking at developing one in the future.

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

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Yours sincerely

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