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Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information Reference FOI-2026-3420

I refer to your Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA) request, received on 13 July 2026 requesting the following information:

This request covers the period from 1st March 2026 to 10th July 2026, and covers the current incumbents of the Cabinet roles indicated as well as their immediate predecessors.

Please provide me with

- 1. Any email communications from the department to or cc. the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Care (previously Health and Social Care) regarding potential supply chain disruptions affecting medical gases, and strategies/plans to monitor, identify and tackle these.**
- 2. Any email communications from the department to or cc. the Deputy First Minister regarding potential supply chain disruptions affecting medical gases, and strategies/plans to monitor, identify and tackle these.**
- 3. Any email communications from the department to or cc. the First Minister regarding potential supply chain disruptions affecting medical gases, and strategies/plans to monitor, identify and tackle these.**

I appreciate that some of the information requested may be commercially sensitive and so some redactions may be required. At a minimum I would like to see metadata including author/department/sender, and last updated date for any information which cannot be released. Sender can be job role/grade to protect individuals.

If the information is already publicly available, please direct me to the relevant location. If the information is held by a different part of the organization, please provide a contact for their FOI team.

We have now completed the search of our records and can provide you with the following information:

Chair Mr Keith Redpath
Chief Executive Professor Karen Reid

1. Any email communications from the department to or cc. the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Care (previously Health and Social Care) regarding potential supply chain disruptions affecting medical gases, and strategies/plans to monitor, identify and tackle these.

Under Section 17 of The Freedom of Information Scotland Act, 2002 (FOISA), a Scottish public authority is not required to provide information that it does not hold. Public Services Delivery Scotland (PSD Scotland) does not hold any email communications from the department to, or copying in, the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Care (previously Health and Social Care) regarding potential supply chain disruptions affecting medical gases.

2. Any email communications from the department to or cc. the Deputy First Minister regarding potential supply chain disruptions affecting medical gases, and strategies/plans to monitor, identify and tackle these.

Under Section 17 of FOISA, a Scottish public authority is not required to provide information that it does not hold. PSD Scotland does not hold any email communications from the department to, or copying in, the Deputy First Minister regarding potential supply chain disruptions affecting medical gases.

3. Any email communications from the department to or cc. the First Minister regarding potential supply chain disruptions affecting medical gases, and strategies/plans to monitor, identify and tackle these.

Under Section 17 of The Freedom of Information Scotland Act, 2002 (FOISA), a Scottish public authority is not required to provide information that it does not hold. PSD Scotland does not hold any email communications from the department to, or copying in, the First Minister regarding potential supply chain disruptions affecting medical gases.

From 1 April 2026, National Services Scotland (NSS) and NHS Education for Scotland (NES) joined to form PSD Scotland, enabling transformation in health, social care, and the wider public sector. More information regarding PSD Scotland can be found at the following URL:

[Public Services Delivery Scotland \(PSD Scotland\)](#)

I trust you will find the information of assistance and if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me using the email address psd.foi@nhs.scot.

If you are unhappy with any aspect of how we have dealt with your request, you can make representations to us asking us to review the handling of your request. Please write to the Associate Director Corporate Governance using the email address psd.foi@nhs.scot within 40 working days of the date of this correspondence.

If after a review you are still unhappy, you also have the right to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at Kinburn Castle, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS, or via their [online Appeal form](#).

Yours sincerely,

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