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Dear [redacted]

Freedom of Information Reference FOI-2026-3533

I refer to your Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA) request that we received on 18 October 2026 requesting the following information:

> **Under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, please provide the following about any national contract or framework that NHS National Services Scotland manages for peripheral intravenous cannulas.**
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> 1. **The name and reference of each such contract or framework, its lots, its start and end dates, any extension options, and the date of the next planned procurement.**
> 2. **The suppliers awarded on each lot, with the brand or product awarded.**
> 3. **For each of the financial years 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26: the quantity and the total value (excluding VAT) purchased under each contract, by supplier and, where held, by health board.**
> 4. **Any supplier or product change made across the contract during that period, with its date.**

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

1. **The name and reference of each such contract or framework, its lots, its start and end dates, any extension options, and the date of the next planned procurement.**

   Framework NP640/23 PVCs and Luer Lock Syringes was awarded on 8 December 2023. The framework commenced on 27 January 2024 with an initial end date of 26 January 2027; there is a 24-month extension options available with a 12-month extension currently being considered. The next planned procurement will begin around 6-9 months prior to the expiry after all extensions are exercised.

Chair Mr Keith Redpath
Chief Executive Professor Karen Reid

2. **The suppliers awarded on each lot, with the brand or product awarded.**

   Please find attached spreadsheet entitled “2026-3533 Appendix 1 – NP64023 Cannula Lot Awards”, detailing each Lot, which suppliers are awarded and what brand/products are available.

3. **For each of the financial years 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26: the quantity and the total value (excluding VAT) purchased under each contract, by supplier and, where held, by health board.**

   Public Services Delivery (PSD) Scotland has redacted information in relation to the FOISA S33(1)(b) exemption for “Substantial Prejudice to Commercial Interests” regarding the quantity purchased where fewer than five distinct products are present or one product exceeds 50% of quantity or value. This information is deemed to be commercially sensitive, and release of this alongside the total value would prejudice substantially the commercial interests of both PSD Scotland and the contracted and prospective supplies of goods and services.

   The withheld information contains commercially sensitive information relating to purchasing amounts. Disclosure would be likely to:

   - Reveal commercially sensitive information that could be used by competitors to gain a commercial advantage in future procurements.
   - Undermine the competitive position of the suppliers whose bids were submitted in confidence as part of the procurement process.
   - Discourage suppliers from future procurement exercises where they believe such information may be publicly disclosed.
   - Prejudice future procurement and contract negotiations by revealing information that could be used to influence bidding strategies and pricing in subsequent competitions.

   For the Section 33(1)(b) exemption to be applied in full, it is subject to the Public Interest Test in deciding whether, on balance, release of the requested information serves the interests of the public better to withhold or disclose information.

   PSD Scotland recognises that there is always a strong public interest in public authorities operating in an open, transparent and accountable manner in relation to the expenditure of public funds and in understanding how procurement decisions are made. However, on this occasion PSD Scotland have concluded that the public interest in disclosure is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining the exemption as disclosure would be likely to cause substantial harm to the commercial interests of the suppliers involved and could impair PSD Scotland's ability to obtain the best value through fair and effective competition in future procurement exercises.

   Please find the attached spreadsheet entitled “2026-3533 Appendix 2 - Peripheral Intravenous Cannulas”, detailing the total value purchased under each supplier broken down by health board across financial years 2023 – present 2026.

4. **Any supplier or product change made across the contract during that period, with its date.**

   Under Section 17 of FOISA for "Information not held" PSD Scotland can confirm that no formal supplier or product variation/change records are held for the requested period.

From 1 April 2026, 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,

