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Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information Reference: FOI-2022-000112 – NSQIG SLWG Report Information

I refer to your freedom of information request that we received on 12 May 2022. I can advise you that we have now completed the search of our records and can provide you with the following information:

As you will be aware NSS provided Project Management and Secretariat support to the report (National Stoma Quality Improvement SLWG (NSQIG) FINAL report.

This report references product pricing for Stoma products under an acute national contract (not the primary care Scottish Drug Tariff).

- 1. Could I be given a link to or copy of the prices per product from this contract for stoma products (i.e. just like they are given on the Primary Care Scottish Stoma Drug Tariff).**

Under (section 33(1)(b)) of FOISA information may be withheld if disclosure would (or would be likely to) prejudice substantially the commercial interests of any person or organisation. There is an extension to a contract due to take place within the UK and therefore, releasing this information could impact the pricing in relation to this contract extension. NHS National Services Scotland (NSS) is unable to provide this information. However, what we can provide is the following price information table (Figure 1) which has been produced from the original Invitation to Tender (ITT) published on Public Contracts Scotland <https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>. It shows the capped pricing for each of the product lots which we hope will be of assistance. Within the table (Figure 1) with reference to 'Lot 10', we have included a website link where pricing information is available.



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Figure 1.

ITT Product Lot	Price from ITT
Lot 1 Colostomy Bags & Pouches	Capped price £1.67
Lot 2 Colostomy Convex Bags & Pouches	Capped price £1.75
Lot 3 Ileostomy Bags & Pouches	Capped price £1.87
Lot 4 Ileostomy Convex Bags & Pouches	Capped price £2.65
Lot 5 Urostomy Bags & Pouches	Capped price £3.88
Lot 6 Urostomy Convex Bags & Pouches	Capped price £3.86
Lot 7 Two Piece Bags, Pouches & Flanges	Bags & pouches capped £1.03 Flanges capped £1.95
Lot 8 Two Piece Bags, Pouches & Convex Flanges	Bags & pouches capped £1.03 Convex Flanges capped £2.05
Lot 9 Paediatric	All suppliers who meet the minimum quality criteria will be awarded to this Lot.
Lot 10 Wound Managers	Product pricing is variable, and available in the public domain. via the following link Prescribing and Medicines Stoma Supplies Health Topics ISD Scotland

2. The document referenced states that there is a clinical advisory panel to guide product choice for the acute stoma contract. Could I be given the membership and professional roles of this panel.

Appendix 1 – CAP Panel Members attached details the membership as requested. Some of which includes personal data of third parties, specifically, names of individuals which have not been released into the public domain on any previous FOIs or literature regarding this topic and these have been redacted in line with (Section 38 (1)(b)) of the FOISA.

Appendix 1 also shows the Health Board represented by each member. Under Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Scotland Act an organisation does not require to provide information if it does not hold that information. NHS National Services Scotland does not hold any information regarding the professional roles of this panel; however, we do hold the professional roles as disclosed in the documentation and answer to question 3.

3. Regarding the Panel referenced in Q2 could I be given the minutes of all meetings of this advisory panel since the 1st of January 2016 until the present day.

The following appendices are attached. Some of the documentation includes personal data of third parties, specifically, names of individuals which have not been released into the public domain on any

previous FOIs or literature regarding this topic. Where this is the case, these names and contact details have been redacted in line with exception (Section 38 (1)(b)) of the FOISA:

Appendix 2- 20161026 P-t CAP Minutes SS-FOR-103i GM Copy v1

Appendix 3 - NP517 Pre Tender CAP Meeting 261016

Appendix 4 - Stoma CAP Minutes 120117 GM

Appendix 5 - NP517 Pre Tender CAP Meeting 120117

Appendix 6 - AoB Minutes 20170629 SS-FOR-103j

Appendix 7 – AoB Minutes from embedded presentation within Appendix 6

4. On Page 15 of the report (National Stoma Quality Improvement SLWG (NSQIG) FINAL report it is referenced that there were subgroup meetings with Patient Representatives. As NSS provided Secretariat and Project Management support for the group and one of the authors Alice Macleod (Senior Nurse National Procurement) worked for NSS could you provide all the minutes for subgroup meetings with the patient representatives sub group.

Under Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Scotland Act an organisation does not require to provide information if it does not hold that information. NHS National Services Scotland (NSS) does not hold this information. NSS provided support for the (National Stoma Quality Improvement SLWG (NSQIG) but did not provide secretariat support or minute subgroup meetings with the patient representative sub groups.

5. On Page 15 of the report (National Stoma Quality Improvement SLWG (NSQIG) FINAL report it is referenced that there were subgroup meetings with the British Healthcare Trade Association (BHTA). As NSS provided Secretariat and Project Management support for the group and one of the authors Alice Macleod (Senior Nurse National Procurement) worked for NSS could you provide all the minutes for subgroup meeting with the British Healthcare Trade Association (BHTA) sub group.

We have conducted a search of our records and have attached Appendices 8, 9 and 10. Under Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Scotland Act an organisation does not require to provide information if it does not hold that information. We have been unable to locate the relevant meeting minutes for Appendix 10 - 2018-12-11 - NSQIG BHTA.

Appendix 8 - 2018-05-03 – BHTA Meeting

Appendix 9 - 2018-10-05 - NSQIG BHTA Meeting Minute

Appendix 10 - 2018-12-11 - NSQIG BHTA Agenda V2

6. On Page 15 of the report (National Stoma Quality Improvement SLWG (NSQIG) FINAL report it is referenced that there were subgroup meetings with the Commercial Sector. As NSS provided Secretariat and Project Management support for the group and one of the authors Alice Macleod (Senior Nurse National Procurement) worked for NSS could you provide all the minutes for subgroup meeting with the Commercial Sector sub group.

Under Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Scotland Act an organisation does not require to provide information if it does not hold that information. NHS National Services Scotland does not hold this information. NSS provided support for the (National Stoma Quality Improvement SLWG (NSQIG) but did not provide secretariat support or minute subgroup meetings with the Commercial Sector but we can provide you with the Collaborative Standards attached as appendix 11. The names and contact details of some individuals which have not been released into the public domain on any previous FOIs or literature regarding this topic have been redacted in line with (Section 38 (1)(b)) of the FOISA.

I trust you will find the information of assistance and if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

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

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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me at the above address.

Yours sincerely



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