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Date 29 May 2026
Your Ref FOI-2026-3359
Our Ref FOI-2026-3359

Enquiries to [REDACTED]
Email psd.foi@nhs.scot

Dear [REDACTED],

Freedom of Information Reference FOI-2026-3359

I refer to your Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA) request that we received on 05 May 2026 requesting the following information:

- 1. The types/brands of slide sheets currently in use across your Trust (e.g. disposable, reusable, tubular, bariatric, etc.), including product names where available.**
- 2. The names of the suppliers/manufacturers you currently procure slide sheets from.**
- 3. The total quantity of slide sheets purchased in the last 12 months, broken down by product type if possible.**
- 4. The total spend on slide sheets in the last 12 months.**
- 5. Details of any current contracts or frameworks used for the procurement of slide sheets, including:**
 - Framework provider (e.g. NHS Supply Chain or other)
 - Contract start and end dates
- 6. Whether your Trust has made any recent changes (in the last 24 months) to slide sheet suppliers or products, and if so, which suppliers/products were replaced and which were introduced.**
- 7. The department responsible for procurement of moving & handling consumables (e.g. procurement team, tissue viability, moving & handling advisors).**

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. The types/brands of slide sheets currently in use across your Trust (e.g. disposable, reusable, tubular, bariatric, etc.), including product names where available.

The types of slide sheets currently used include; patient specific and reusable options of Flat Sheet with handles, Flat sheets without handles and Tubular. This information is based on data we hold for fiscal year 2025.

2. The names of the suppliers/manufacturers you currently procure slide sheets from.

The suppliers we have procured slide sheets from are GBUK and MIP UK Ltd.

3. The total quantity of slide sheets purchased in the last 12 months, broken down by product type if possible.

Under the [FOISA Section 17 exemption for "Information not held"](#) an organisation does not have to provide that information if it does not hold it. Public Services Scotland (PSD Scotland) do not hold data for the last 12-months or have a breakdown of data by product type available.

PSD Scotland is about to enter the standstill period for our new framework and as such have not been collating recent data. What we can provide you with is, the amount of slide sheets purchased in fiscal year 2025, circa 478,964.

4. The total spend on slide sheets in the last 12 months.

Under the [FOISA Section 17 exemption for "Information not held"](#) an organisation does not have to provide that information if it does not hold it. PSD Scotland does not hold data for the last 12-months as PSD Scotland are about to enter the standstill period for our new framework and as such have not been collating recent data.

What we can provide you with is the total spend on slide sheets for fiscal year 2025, circa £904,552.92.

5. Details of any current contracts or frameworks used for the procurement of slide sheets, including:

- Framework provider (e.g. NHS Supply Chain or other)
- Contract start and end dates

PSD Scotland is the framework provider; the framework commenced on 01/07/2021 and has an end date of 30/06/2026. All details regarding our framework for slide sheets can be found here: [Public Contracts Scotland](#).

6. Whether your Trust has made any recent changes (in the last 24 months) to slide sheet suppliers or products, and if so, which suppliers/products were replaced and which were introduced.

PSD Scotland can confirm there has been no change to suppliers awarded to the NP59221 framework in the last 24 months.

7. The department responsible for procurement of moving & handling consumables (e.g. procurement team, tissue viability, moving & handling advisors).

PSD Scotland can confirm that Procurement teams and Manual Handling professionals from across NHSScotland are responsible for the framework and product selections.

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,

