

FOI028 Response

Request

We're trying to build up a picture of PPE stocks across the UK's healthcare system.

Please could you send me all available information produced by Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust on PPE stocks between 5 March and 5 May 2020, including:

- The stock levels of surgical gowns, pairs of surgical gloves, plastic aprons, fluid repellent surgical masks (e.g. IIR masks), FFP3 respirators, FFP3 respirators, eye protection (glasses) and eye protection (visors)*
- Usage of those stocks during this period (e.g. daily or weekly depletion of surgical gowns)*
- Any estimates at the time of how long those stocks were expected to last*

If possible, could you please split this data out by healthcare setting (i.e. detail PPE stocks by all hospitals in your trust).

I have enclosed a spreadsheet with a standard format if this is at all helpful, though I appreciate that, in order to process this request as efficiently as possible, you may prefer to send over documents in whatever format you have available.

While all dates between 5 March and 5 May are given, I appreciate that its unlikely that your will have data for every date and so would just appreciate you sharing what information you do have.

If possible, could you please send information in an excel-readable format (e.g. csv or .xls).

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits please provide advice and assistance as to how I can refine my request

Response

Please find attached two spread sheets containing the response to your FOI request.

Please note for the Daily Situation Report for PPE spreadsheet the following,

- Stock Quantity – This is the level of stock at the end of play for that day
- Used Quantity – This is the 24 hr usage but based on all fulfilment activity for the day in question.
- RAG Status – This column is used to determine the Trust's stock position in terms of urgency. This is a direct calculation of the stock level figure divided by usage, each RAG status indicates the following,
 - Blue is for stock that is equivalent to 1 day or less usage.
 - Red is for stock equivalent to 2 days usage.
 - Amber is for stock equivalent to 2-3 days usage.
 - Green is for stock greater than 3 days usage
- Delivery Status – Not all tabs contain this information and this column indicates whether the Trust believes the stock level to be sufficient for the last delivery of that Item.

- Existing Escalation Number – This is the reference number for any escalation of low stock to supply chain.
- Comments – Any other information we wanted to provide on submission of our daily submissions.
- Submissions are daily including weekend; however, we do not fulfil orders on weekends so the usage quantity for Sundays and Mondays submissions is the average usage for the previous week.
- Numbers may be inflated on occasions where we have provided mutual aid or loaned stock
- Stock Levels may change where we have either identified a discrepancy or had a delivery of stock for that day.

In addition to this please note that the Stock overview spread sheet provides current stock levels for the categories, average daily usage since inception of the inventory workbook and expected days left with that category based on the average.