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Dear Dr Reddington

Your Request for information

I am writing in response to your e-mail that we received on 11 November 2011, in which information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 was requested.

Information Requested:

Would you please send me details of augmentative and alternative communication devices supplied/purchased by your trust between 31 March 2006 and 1st April 2011. I would like the information broken down by both product name (So for example Dynavox Xpress, iPod touch with TapToTalk, BigMack) and by year. I would like information for both children and adults, but I don't require a breakdown by age.

I am attempting to find out how many people who have poor or no speech have a speech aid, in particular electronic speech aids, and I would like to know how many have been supplied by the trust during the last five years.

Response:

As a commissioner of health services, we have searched our records for information relating to augmentative and alternative communication devices that have been funded for our residents by NHS East Riding of Yorkshire. It should be noted that the information provided does not include aids for individuals in the East Riding area that have been paid for through education, social care or personal budgets.

Integrated Community Equipment Service (ICES)

Please find below details of two pieces of equipment funded by ICES for East Riding patients within the specified timescale:

- 1 x liberator 14 (2010)
- 1 x vantage lite + extended warranty (2010)

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No augmentative and alternative communication devices funded.

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I trust this letter provides a response to your request, but please do not hesitate to contact me should you need any further assistance. You can find out more information about our Primary Care Trust by visiting our website at www.eastridingofyorkshire.nhs.uk.

Yours sincerely



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