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Dear Ms Lisa Dawson

Re: Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information detailed below:

Could you please tell me, for the following medical gases:

1. Oxygen
2. Helium
3. Carbon Dioxide
4. Nitrogen
5. Nitric Oxide

- a. How much do you spend on each of these gases?
- b. How much volume of each gas do you use?
- c. How are contracts structured e.g. per volume, fixed monthly fee, other?

Please find the Trust's response below:

Please find below the information you have requested. We are awaiting the usage figures from our medical gas supplier and once received will forward these on to you.

1. Oxygen			
D	Gas	£1.96	Rental (per cylinder, per month) 94p
E	Gas	£1.96	Rental (per cylinder, per month) 94p
F	Gas	£1.96	Rental (per cylinder, per month) £1.30
G	Gas	£1.96	Rental (per cylinder, per month) £1.30
PD	Gas	£1.96	Rental (per cylinder, per month) 94p
AD	Gas	£2.87	Rental (per cylinder, per month) £4.60
F4C	Gas	£3.29	Rental (per cylinder, per month) £3.29

2. Helium

F	Gas	£31.06	Rental (per cylinder, per month)	£1.30
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3. Carbon Dioxide

C	Gas	£3.17	Rental (per cylinder, per month)	94p
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E	Gas	£3.72	Rental (per cylinder, per month)	94p
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VF	Gas	£5.01	Rental (per cylinder, per month)	£1.30
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4. Nitrogen	Do not use
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5. Nitric Oxide	Do not use
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Yours sincerely

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