

## Freedom of Information Request Ref: UHB 19-590

11 October 2019

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

1. Does anyone have an active measure of the time from 'close of procedure to reprocessing (wash). If so, could you provide a rough average / max time delay (finger in the air is fine)

Day time 0.5 to 5 hours depending on how close to a trolley run the case finishes. Overnight there is no trolley run between 19.30 to 06.00.

2. Does anyone have an active measure of the time from 'CSSD arrival to reprocessing (wash). If so, could you provide a rough average / max time delay (finger in the air is fine)

Approximately between 1 to 3 hours, depending on how busy the Trust is and priorities.

3. Is your unit 24:7?

No, it runs Monday to Friday 7.45 – 21.00, 22.00 – 06.00. There is no service between 21.00 to 08.00 Friday night. Saturday and Sunday: 8.00 to 19.00.

4. Do your logistics between theatre and CSSD stop overnight? If so, for roughly what duration do they do so.

Yes for approximately 10 hours.

5. Do your logistics between theatre and CSSD stop over the weekend period? If so, for roughly what duration do they do so

The trolley runs Saturday and Sunday 08.15 till 16.00.

6. Roughly, what proportion of times would you say the washroom is cleared of instrument trays at the point when washrooms close (overnight or weekend). An approximate percentage is fine.

5%

7. If your logistics stop, do your utilize any pre-treatment at this stage to prevent drying?

No.

8. If your logistics stop, do your use any products (or simple bags) to retain moisture at this stage to prevent drying?

No.

9. On arrival at sterile services, do you apply any cleaning agents to aid soil removal, prior to any pre-clean activity.

No.

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Director of Corporate Governance University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust Trust Headquarters Marlborough Street Bristol BS1 3NU

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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Yours sincerely

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