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Our Ref: MB/CM FOI 5489

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**Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 5489**

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 15th December 2022.

Your request was as follows:

1. What is your policy on aromatherapy? Please provide a copy of your policy, if you have one.
2. In the last five years, have you engaged an aromatherapy practitioner for the provision of aromatherapy to NHS patients?
  - a. In which years?
  - b. What was the cost to the NHS for each of these years?
  - c. How many patients were given aromatherapy in each of these years?

Please break the results down by condition.

3. Do you currently have a contract in place with any provider for the provision of aromatherapy services?
  - a. Please provide a copy of the contract
4. Which external organisations, charities or companies (if any) have you contracted or engaged with over the provision of aromatherapy in the last three years?
  - a. Please include copies of any promotional materials, advertising materials or other documentation provided by the external organisation as part of this engagement

Please interpret my request in the broadest possible terms. If you have any doubt as to whether any information falls within the scope of my request, please assume that it does and include it in your response.

[The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust is a Specialist Neuroscience Tertiary Care Centre; we do not provide the services mentioned above; therefore, we cannot provide this information.](#)

Please see our response above in [blue](#).

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**Please remember to quote the reference number, FOI 5489 in any future communications.**

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Yours sincerely

*Mike Burns*

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