

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

I am trying to understand the number of SME suppliers the public sector purchases from.

1. Please can you send me a list of all suppliers you purchase goods or services from We do not hold this information as we are unable to filter our financial systems to provide data solely on SME suppliers.

In line with our duty of Section 16 of the FOIA to provide advice and assistance, please see below link to our expenditure reports where value spent and suppliers over £25k is reported: https://eput.nhs.uk/about-us/reports-and-accounts/transparency-of-transactions-expenditure-over-25k/

2. The annual value you bought from them in your last financial year. Please see response to question 1.

Please note this information is not commercially sensitive as all you will be giving me is the total money spent with each supplier not any detail of what you bought.

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