

9 February 2017

**Our Ref:** RFI 19344

Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000  
Information in Relation to the Units of Blood Used/Not Used and Disposed of  
for the last Five Years**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for the information relating to the above which you requested on 10 January 2017.

A response to each of the questions raised has been provided by Woman & Acute Child Health Directorate and is attached in Appendix A.

Under the terms of the legislation, if you are unhappy with this response you have the right to seek a review within the Trust in the first instance. If you wish to do so, please write to me at the address below.

If after such a review you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner who will undertake an independent review. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.

If you have any queries about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Information Governance &  
Directorate Support**

<b>Financial Year (1<sup>st</sup> April-31<sup>st</sup> March)</b>	<b>Number of units of Filtered cells (Blood) received by the Blood Bank in the Ulster Hospital from NIBTS</b>	<b>Number of units of Filtered cells (Blood) issued and transfused to patients by the Blood Bank at the Ulster Hospital</b>	<b>Number of units of Filtered cells (Blood) wasted</b>
2016 (1 <sup>st</sup> Apr-31 <sup>st</sup> Dec)	3642	3511	131
2015/2016	5149	4835	314
2014/2015	6187	6038	149
2013/2014	7523	7408	120
2012/2013	6238	6100	138