



Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

**Request Ref: NGFOI 17/18: 494**

Thank you for your request for information received at Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust (NGH) on 01/02/18.

I am pleased to be able to provide you with the following information.

*I am asking about antiseptic preparations that would be applied to the skin prior to a surgical procedure. The main purpose of these solutions is to reduce the risk of infection and therefore influence the surgical site infection rate.*

*Please would you tell me the number of units of the following products purchased by your hospital over the past 12 months:*

*Chlorhexidine 2% in IPA Biocide (Nex-Clorex 2%) Available in 200ml and 500ml bottles - Fannin UK Ltd*

*Chlorhexidine 2% in IPA Biocide Available in 200ml and 500ml bottles - Ecolab Ltd*

*Chlorhexidine 2% in IPA Licenced Medicine (ChloraPrep) Available in various sizes - Carefusion / BD*

*Red Staining Dye / Liquid Available in 12 x 12ml - Ecolab Ltd*

**Please see the below:**

<b>Brand</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Qty</b>
<b>Chlorhexidine Gluconate Antiseptic</b>	<b>Mouthwash LICENSED MEDICINES 0.2% Chlorhexidine original 300ml NON RETURNABLE</b>	<b>754</b>
<b>ChloraPrep Tint</b>	<b>Skin Disinfectant LICENSED MEDICINES 2% Chlorhexidine gluconate in 70% IPA sterile with tint 26ml applicator NON RETURNABLE</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Ecolab</b>	<b>Skin Disinfectant LICENSED MEDICINES 0.5% Chlorhexidine denatured ethanol 70% spray 200ml pink NON RETURNABLE</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>Ecolab</b>	<b>Skin Disinfectant LICENSED MEDICINES 0.5% Chlorhexidine denatured ethanol 70% spray 500ml pink NON RETURNABLE</b>	<b>78</b>

*Please would you tell me the pre-operative skin preparation (ie the name of the specific product) that you use for the following procedures? Please will you specify whether the manufacturer and whether the product is a biocide or a licenced medicine.*

*Procedure*

- Abdominal hysterectomy -*

- *Products used?* **Povidone Iodine**
- *Biocide or licensed medicine?* **Licensed**
- *Brand name?* **Ecolab Videne Antiseptic Solution**
- *Breast surgery*
  - *Products used?* **Povidone Iodine**
  - *Biocide or licensed medicine?* **Licensed**
  - *Brand name?* **Ecolab Videne Antiseptic Solution**
- *Caesarean section*
  - *Products used?* **Povidone Iodine**
  - *Biocide or licensed medicine?* **Licensed**
  - *Brand name?* **Ecolab Videne Antiseptic Solution**
- *Gastric surgery*
  - *Products used?* **Povidone Iodine**
  - *Biocide or licensed medicine?* **Licensed**
  - *Brand name?* **Ecolab Videne Antiseptic Solution**
- *Hip replacement*
  - *Products used?* **Povidone Iodine, Chlorhexidine**
  - *Biocide or licensed medicine?* **Licensed**
  - *Brand name?* **Ecolab Vidine Alcoholic Tincture, Hydrex Pink, Dyed Hydrex Pink**
- *Knee replacement*
  - *Products used?* **Povidone Iodine, Chlorhexidine**
  - *Biocide or licensed medicine?* **Licensed**
  - *Brand name?* **Ecolab Vidine Alcoholic Tincture, Hydrex Pink, Dyed Hydrex Pink**
- *Spinal surgery*

**Spinal surgery is not performed at NGH.**

  - *Products used?*
  - *Biocide or licensed medicine?*
  - *Brand name?*