

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 23-070	2 nd March 2023

This is an information request relating to the cost of drugs going out of date.

Please include the following information:

1. What is the total value of drugs that have been disposed of due to going past their expiry date, for each of the following years: 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22

Please find below the information requested. The information provided is for medicines that expired within pharmacy departments only as any medication issued to a ward or department that expires is disposed of by that area and not recorded on the system.

2019/20

The Health Board is unable to provide data for this period due to the installation of a new pharmacy system in November 2020.

2020/21

Partial data provided from November 2020 to March 2021

Total: £71,063.83*

2021/22

Total: £183,551.76*

* Please note that the large amount of waste during 2020/21 can be attributed to larger stocks critical medicines held during the COVID-19 pandemic.