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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to NHS Digital Scan for Safety.

You asked:
1) Has your organisation signed up to the ScanForSafety project ?
https://www.scan4safety.nhs.uk/benefits/
1a) – YES (if yes, what hardware & software supplier have you used and who is project managing this internally)?
1b) – NO (if no, is this something you would be keen to be involved in should other demonstrator sites be announced)?
2) Has your Trust already enabled a "product to patient" tracking system, to trace what medical items are used with any given identified patient? This includes being able to track medical devices, objects, assets, people and pathways, and to enable the transmission of the right data through the recognition of a unique identifier.
2a) – If yes, could you please detail the company you used to achieve this? (Both hardware & software provider)
2b) – If no, is this something your organisation would be keen to explore within the next 18 months?
2c) – If this is something your organisation may consider exploring, who would be the Trust project lead?
3) Does your Trust already use an electronic inventory management solution to trace the movement of items into and out of the hospital warehouse/supplies department? This could also include the monitoring and movement of blood products, implants and patients' records…
3a) – If yes, could you please detail the company you use to achieve this? (Both hardware & software provider)
3b) – If no, is this something your organisation would be keen to explore within the next 18 months?
3c) – If this is something your organisation may consider exploring, who would be the Trust project lead?
4) Does your Trust have a solution to trace goods and people flows in their logistic pathways - to identify their physical movements through the hospital or provide mobile readings of passive and/or active RFID's?

4a) - If yes, could you please detail the company you use to achieve this? (Both hardware & software provider)
4b) – If no, is this something your organisation would be keen to explore within the next 18 months?
4c) - If this is something your organisation may consider exploring, who would be the Trust project lead?
5) Does your Trust provide an electronic navigation system (an app) to support the patient, their visitors and other caregivers' check-in at the hospital and assist them with their indoor navigation around the hospital site?
5a) - If yes, could you please detail the company you use to achieve this? (Both hardware & software provider)
5b) – If no, is this something your organisation would be keen to explore within the next 18 months?
5c) - If this is something your organisation may consider exploring, who would be the Trust project lead?
6) Does your operating theatres have an electronic stock management system, (which also monitors expiry dates)?
6a) - If yes, could you please detail the company you use to achieve this? (Both hardware & software provider)
6b) – If no, is this something your organisation would be keen to explore within the next 18 months?
6c) - If this is something your organisation may consider exploring, who would be the Trust project lead?

Trust response:
1) Yes we originally signed up and submitted a plan for the GS1 project. Procurement has recently led on the discussions with the scan for safety team however in the Trust plan the IT Director of the lead for the project. The IT Director has since left the Trust and her post is being covered on a temporary basis.
2) Yes, we use Omnicell IT system to trace products. We have not integrated this with our PAS system yet to be able to trace product to patient. This is however the Trust intention.
3) Yes – we use Omnicell inventory management system.
4) No however this is something the Trust is exploring over the next 18 months.
5) We do not have a navigation system in the hospital, however, we do have the Kiosk system for patients to check in when they arrive at Tunbridge Wells Hospital.
6) Yes – Omnicell