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FOI Transfusion free surgeries

## REQUEST

I'd be grateful if you could provide me with details of which hospital(s) within your trust area:

- 1. Have medical staff/surgical team trained to carry out bloodless surgery.
- 2. Have autologous blood transfusion and patient's own cell salvage equipment available.
- 3. Keep stocks of synthetic blood transfusion substitutes.

## **RESPONSE**

- 1. Neither Whiston or St Helen's have specifically trained staff
- 2. We do not offer autologous transfusion within our trust. Both Whiston & St Helens Hospitals have cell salvage equipment
- 3. Whiston & St Helen's both have stocks of synthetic blood transfusion substitutes