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*1. What measures has the trust taken to minimise increases in prescribing costs?*

The Trust minimises increases in prescribing costs by minimising off contract purchasing and by using clinical drug substitutions where appropriate.

*2. Has the trust benchmarked prescribing patterns across individual clinicians or individual clinical teams?*

No

*3. Has the trust issued any guidelines on the use of outpatient prescribing or the use of prescriptions for dispensing in the community (using prescription forms previously known as FP10HPs)?*

No

*4. Has the trust traded any excess supplies of medicines to recoup costs? If so, please provide details of products and dates.*

No