

***Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000***

Thank you for your request for information which we received on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024 I am pleased to confirm the following.

**1) Are A&E clinicians and nurses employed by the Milton Keynes University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust trained to recognise the symptoms of sodium nitrite poisoning?**

Yes - clinicians and nurses at MKUH are trained to recognise the symptoms of sodium nitrite poisoning.

**2) Are A&E clinicians and nurses employed by the Milton Keynes University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust trained to treat patients suffering with sodium nitrite poisoning with the antidote methylthioninium chloride commonly called methylene blue?**

Yes – clinicians and nurses at MKUH are trained to treat patients suffering with sodium nitrite poisoning with the antidote methylthioninium chloride.

**3) Does the A&E department at the Milton Keynes University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust routinely carry the antidote methylthioninium chloride commonly called methylene blue?**

Yes - Methylene blue is kept in the antidote drawer.

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If you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the address above.

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Co-ordinator  
For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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