## **Questions to hospital pharmacies:**

Name of Hospital/Trust: Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust

**Department: Hospital Pharmacy** 

Job title: Lead Technician Aseptics

## Pharmacy contact information: 01722 336262 ext 4880

A) Is compounding outsourced to an external provider in your region/city?

Yes – go to question A1)	х	Partially outsourced commercially
No – go to question B)		

A1) What is the **name** of the external provider doing compounding preparation? Bath ASU, ITH, Quantum

A2) What is the **location** of the external provider doing chemotherapy compounding? Bath ASU – Corsham, ITH – London, Quantum – Derby

B) What **manufacturing/compounding work** is currently being performed by pharmacists at your Hospital/Trust? No manufacturing or compounding is currently completed by any Pharmacists

C) What **level/grade** of cleanroom do you run and how many of them do you have? Grade A/B isolator (cleanroom), C/D for our other rooms within the Aseptic Unit

C1) What size of unit do you currently run (square footage)?

Approx 913 square feet

C2) What is the **number of staff** in this unit?

8 staff currently in Aseptics team

C3) Do you currently run at your full capacity?

Yes	x
No	

C4) If no, what % of capacity you're currently running?

D) Do you provide services to any other hospital pharmacies?

Yes	
No	х

D1). If yes, please specify which other hospitals you service:

N/A

E). How many days per week do you do compounding work? Please circle the relevant.

No of	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
days/week							
-					Х		

F) Approximately, how many compounding's do you do each day in your facility?

Number of compounding's per day: 20-30

G) Approximately, how many **pairs of gloves** do you use per day for pharmacy compounding work in your facility? (including both under- and over-gloves)

Number of under-gloves per day (pairs):\_\_\_\_\_

Number of over-gloves per day (pairs):\_\_\_\_ approx 30 pairs a day \_\_\_\_\_

G1) What proportion (%) of these are sterile gloves?

100%

G2) Who is your current gloves provider(s)?

\_\_\_Ansell – Encore sterile non-latex, Medline – Dermassure Green\_\_\_\_

G3) What types of gloves do you use during compounding? Please put % for all relevant options.

	Chemotherapy	Parenteral nutritional	Other – please specify:
Sterile exam gloves			
Non-sterile exam gloves			
Sterile PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) gloves			
Sterile Surgical gloves (medical device)	x	Х	

G4) What **material** are the majority of the sterile PPE/surgical gloves made of when used in pharmacy? Please put % for all relevant options.

Nitrile %	
Polychloroprene %	25
Polyisoprene %	
Natural rubber latex %	
Other, please state: %	75 neoprene

G5) What material is the packaging of your sterile gloves?

Plastic	х
Paper	

H) How do you currently purchase your hospital pharmacy gloves?

NHS SC	х
Directly from supplier	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Party provider / distributor (eg. Bunzl)	
Other	

I) How frequently do you place orders and is this your preferred frequency?

\_\_\_\_At least twice a month\_\_\_\_

J) What local/national guidelines/accreditation/regulations/governing bodies do you adhere to?

\_\_\_\_EN ISO 374-1 and EN ISO 374-5 and EN 421, plus our local policies and procedures\_\_\_\_\_

K) When validating a new sterile PPE/surgical glove, do you have a specific protocol/evaluation to follow?

Yes	
No	Х

L) Who is involved in the **validation process** and what **criteria** do you follow (please indicate position/role, process and time frames)?

\_\_Operators, Lead Technician, Accountable Pharmacist and QA/QC Technician\_\_

M) Which of these **requirements** apply for a sterile PPE/surgical glove in your facility? (please tick all relevant options):

Maximum liquid particle count level	
Specific outer packaging requirements	
Plastic inner-wrap	
Be able to stay on isolator glove port for certain	х
amount of time	
Withstand certain amount of alcohol disinfections	х
Chemicals / chemotherapy agents breakthrough time	х
results	
Certified for use for a certain clean room grade	
We have other requirements (add them)	
No requirements are specified	

N) Which of these features of a sterile PPE/surgical glove would add value in your current practice? Please tick all relevant options.

Good fit, feel and comfort	Х
Durability	X
Easy to open sterile barrier	X
Double gloving	X
Puncture detection	X
Anti-slip cuff (stays on gown)	X
Low endotoxin level	X
Other features add value	

O) How often are gloves **changed** by operators working with compounding? Please state in relevant minutes.

Over-gloves \_\_\_\_\_Per session, up to 4hrs\_\_

Under-gloves \_\_\_\_Isolator gloves changed in the morning and at the start of the afternoon session. \_\_\_\_

Gloves worn generally in the Aseptic Unit are changed between 3-5 times per session, depending on operator roles

P) What safety guidelines/recommendations does the Hospital / Trust currently follow?

\_\_\_\_\_Trust SOPs\_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for participating!