



Ref: FOIA Reference 2024/25-312

Date: 7th October 2024

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear Sir/ Madam

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 13th August 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Bariatric Patient Equipment

Q1 Under The Freedom of Information Act 2000, could you kindly answer the following questions:

I wish to know how much your Trust has spent on specialist bariatric equipment for obese/bariatric patients (patients over 160kg) during the last three financial years?

A1 Approx £360k

Q2 Please give a breakdown of the type of equipment used by the Trust and the amounts spent, split between Rental expenditure and Purchased Equipment?

A2 Equipment rented includes Bariatric beds, Bariatric Chairs, Hoists, Commodes etc

Q3 If equipment used is on a Rental basis, please specify if this was under a contract basis or ad hoc?

A3 Contract

Q4 When is the contract due for renewal?

A4 Contract has recently been renewed until 30th June 2027 (with an option to extend for a further 12 months)

Q5 If known, who is the contract with?

A5 Medstrom

Q6 If under a contract, please supply the means of contract award, i.e framework or direct award.

A6 Direct award through the HTE Framework

Q7 How many Bariatric beds does the Trust own?

A7 County hospital = 2
RSUH retained and PFI =Bariatric beds are purchased by the wards, information not held centrally

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

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The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

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Yours,



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