



Ref: FOIA Reference 2024/25-086

Date: 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Email [foi@uhnm.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@uhnm.nhs.uk)

Dear Sir/ Madam

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 2nd May 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding home dialysis treatment

As of 1<sup>st</sup> November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

**Q1 I am writing to make a request for information under the Freedom of information Act concerning chronic kidney disease patients.**

**Please provide the following:**

**How many patients within the latest annual reporting period were receiving home dialysis treatment (this may be referred to as home haemodialysis or peritoneal)?**

A1 As of January 1st 2024 there were the following patient numbers for the month

90x PD  
33x HHD

**Q2a. How many patients within the latest annual reporting period applied for the reimbursement of utility costs for home dialysis treatment?**

**2b. Of these, how many patients were successful?**

A2 All patients listed in Q1 however reimbursement does not need to be applied for, patients are provided reimbursement when they commence Home Therapy treatment

90x PD  
33x HHD

**Q3 What is the total amount spent by the Trust on the reimbursement of utility costs for home dialysis treatment within the latest annual reporting period?**

- A3 Monthly average reimbursements is £2180.31
- Q4 **Please provide any internal guidelines which supports the Trust in making decisions around the reimbursement of utility costs for home dialysis treatment.**
- A4 As per national guidelines provided to us for Home Therapy reimbursements

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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.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

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Yours,





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