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Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

- 1. How much has your Trust spent on specialist bariatric equipment for obese/bariatric patients (patients over 160kg) during the last five financial years? Please give a figure for each year: 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23.**

We do not code expenditure at the level of detail to split out bariatric equipment but from invoice description have been able to identify the information below:

Equipment	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
<b>Beds &amp; Furniture</b>	23,482.80	35,051.15	130,331.27	129,518.40	99,285.60
<b>Aids</b>	368.76	1,438.92	356.76	245.52	654.72
<b>Total</b>	<b>23,851.56</b>	<b>36,490.07</b>	<b>130,688.03</b>	<b>129,763.92</b>	<b>99,940.32</b>

- 2. How many patients needed special adaptations due to their weight in the past 12 months?**

We are unable to provide this information as it is not recorded centrally.

- 3. Please give a breakdown of the amounts spent by the Trust by the type of specialist bariatric equipment.**

Please see the table above.

- 3.1 If equipment is used on a rental contract basis, please provide a list of contracts, including the values and suppliers.**

Provision of Bariatric Hire Equipment, Arjo UK Ltd, £55,000 per annum

**4. How many bariatric beds does the Trust own?**

None.

**5. How many bariatric fridges does the Trust own?**

The Trust has a bariatric bank of fridges which can accommodate 3 bariatric patients

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



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