

Information Governance Department
Blackpool Victoria Hospital
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Dear

Thank you for your recent request for information.

I would like some further information on your trusts provision of equipment/apparatus for overweight/bariatric patients over the past 3 financial years.

I am looking specifically for detail of spend on Bariatric equipment consisting (however not limited to) hoists, beds, pressure care mattresses, chairs, wheelchairs.

1) Could you please tell me your trusts NHS Spend on all Bariatric Equipment Rental/Lease in the past 3 years?

2014-15 - £8,121.00 excl. VAT
2013-14 - £10,021.00 excl. VAT
2012-13 - £8,656.00 excl. VAT

2) Could you please tell me your trusts NHS Spend on capital purchasing of Bariatric Equipment in the past 3 years?

2014-15 - Nil
2013-14 - Nil
2012-13 - Nil

3) What is your current contractual status if any, if so, who is this with, what is the term of the contract including renewal date? If not under contract, how is this service provided, for example, is this simply on an Ad Hoc basis?

Our current contract is with Medstrom Ltd, the term of the contract is from December 1, 2015 to November 30, 2017 with the option to extend for two further one (1) year periods.

The following link is a customer satisfaction survey if you would like to leave feedback.

<http://www.bfwhospitals.nhs.uk/about/foi/foiq.asp>

If you are dissatisfied with our response to your request for access to information you may ask us to carry out an internal review. You should do this by writing to:

The Information Governance Manager
Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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If you remain unhappy, you may make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office.

Yours Sincerely

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