

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 20th April 2023
I am pleased to confirm the following.

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.

	Beds/Matts	Accessories	Total
2022/2023	£52,023	£51,500	£103,523
2021/2022	£67,094	£26,753	£93,847
2020/2021	£27,963	£4,568	£32,531
2019/2020	£35,144	£9,164	£44,308
**2018/2019	£15,500	£5,000	£20,500

** Please note 2018/2019 estimate only.

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

This information is not in our data warehouse.

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

Financial Year/ Spend Type	Spend (Ex VAT)
2018/19	£37,122.00
Bed Rental Charges	£22,815.00
Chair Purchases	£3,664.00
Chair Rental Charges	£2,483.00
Mortuary trolley Purchases	£8,160.00
2019/20	£42,554.50
Bed Rental Charges	£30,470.50
Chair Rental Charges	£11,302.00
Commode Rental Charges	£117.00
Installation Charges	£665.00
2020/21	£29,142.00

Bed Rental Charges	£20,511.50
Chair Purchases	£409.50
Chair Rental Charges	£2,401.00
Commode Rental Charges	£108.00
Couch Purchases	£4,382.00
Installation Charges	£1,330.00
2021/22	£66,509.75
Bed Rental Charges	£41,421.25
Chair Purchases	£10,800.00
Chair Rental Charges	£8,971.00
Commode Rental Charges	£445.00
Installation Charges	£4,872.50
2022/23	£14,441.00
Bed Rental Charges	£8,943.00
Chair Rental Charges	£1,384.00
Commode Rental Charges	£540.00
Couch Purchases	£2,814.00
Installation Charges	£760.00
Grand Total	£189,769.25

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

Rental for specialist bariatric equipment is provided under our contract with Medstrom UK (*procured via Shared Business Services - Acute and Community Health and Social Care Equipment Products and Services Framework.*) This contract runs until 05/05/27, with the option to extend +1 +1.

All rentals are provided as per contracted ad hoc rates, which are outside of the standard contract price.

*** These rates are commercially sensitive and cannot be shared.**

4. How many bariatric beds does the Trust own?

3 beds

5. How many bariatric fridges does the Trust own?

4 large fridges

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If you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the address above.

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Co-ordinator
For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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