

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 15 November 2022.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

Please include the information for each of the following financial years; 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22:

The number of patients within the remit of the Trust who have had to be sent to an external, or alternative MRI machine due to being overweight

The annual cost of using these alternative or external MRIs

Where the MRIs are (for example, at specialist hospitals)

All patients scanned on open scanners have to request funding, however these would include claustrophobic patients.

Individual referrals are made to Hendon open MRI scanner since 2021 for MKUH patients who are claustrophobic or unable to fit in closed bore. Prior to this it was In Health Croydon.

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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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