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Dear

The trust acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) request, referenced above. Please ensure you quote this number in any future correspondence.

FOI Request

You asked us:

Can you please tell me how much your trust has spent on bariatric transport in each of the following years: 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025 so far.

This could be purchase of specialist bariatric vehicles or chassis, rental of specialist bariatric vehicles or private hire of specialist bariatric vehicles.

Can you provide information on each purchase, including the vendor or supplier, the product or service purchased and the cost.

Formal Response

The Trust confirms it holds part of the information you have requested.

During the time period requested, the Trust has not purchased, hired, or procured any contractual service to provide, specialist bariatric services, vehicles, vehicle chassis, or vehicle conversions. SECamb operates specialist bariatric capable vehicles, however, no new vehicles of this specification were required since 2020.

During the same period, the Trust has made small supplementary equipment related purchases, all with Ferno (UK) Limited, at a total cost of £9,425.96.

Year	Cost	Equipment Purchase
2020	£ 53.21	L/H Brake
2020	£ 53.21	R/H Brake
2021	£ 20.56	Tape Hand Grips
2022	£ 100.00	Stretcher Harness
2022	£ 75.00	Megasus Harness
2022	£ 150.00	Mattress Arms



Year	Cost	Equipment Purchase
2022	£ 177.37	Arm Pad Megasus
2023	£ 321.34	Grey Side Arm Cushions
2023	£ 150.00	Moulded Cot Sides
2023	£ 40.00	Locking Clips
2023	£ 95.00	Wheels
2023	£ 35.00	Red Plungers
2023	£ 1,337.79	Hydraulic Ram
2023	£ 41.12	Tape Hand Grips
2024	£ 2,416.38	Stretcher Repair
2024	£ 199.00	O/S &N/S Side Arms
2024	£ 297.81	Megasus Mattress
2024	£ 88.68	Side Arm Cushion
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2024	£ 168.84	Anti Static Wheels
2024	£ 195.94	Bio Safe Shoulder Harness
2024	£ 119.20	Bio Safe Waist Straps
2024	£ 921.28	Biosafe Mk1 Harnesses
2024	£ 436.32	Retaining Straps
2024	£ 379.83	Braked Caster
2024	£ 126.61	Braked Caster
2025	£ 1,337.79	Hydraulic Ram

Please note, a review of our response to bariatric transport requirements is currently underway to ensure our approach remains safe, appropriate, and aligned with the needs of our patients.

Next steps

We publish a variety of information which may assist future enquiries relating to our service on our website – www.secamb.nhs.uk.

Should you be dissatisfied with our response then in the first instance please contact Richard Banks, Head of Corporate Governance, via the following email address: FOI@secamb.nhs.uk

You can ask us to review our original response. If you would like us to carry out an internal review, please let us know within 40 working days of you receiving our original response. This review will be conducted by an individual who was not directly involved in reviewing the original response, ordinarily, the Trust Data Protection Officer. We will endeavour to complete this request within 20 working days.

Should you remain dissatisfied then you can contact the [Information Commissioner's Office](https://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints) (ICO). Complaints to the ICO should be made within six weeks of receiving the outcome of an internal review. The easiest way to lodge a complaint is through their website: www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints.

Alternatively, the ICO's postal address is:
Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.



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Yours sincerely,
Freedom of Information Coordinator
South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust



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