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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/18/01/08.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

I wish to know how much your trust has spent on specialist equipment for bariatric patients (patients over 160kg) during the last three years?

Total spend over the past 3 years is £30,734.12

Please give a breakdown of the type of specialist bariatric equipment used by the trust and the amounts spent, split between Rental Expenditure and Purchased Equipment?

All items in use are purchased. Equipment by type is:-

- Bariatric Trolley bed -£13,000
- Bariatric stair climber - £4,500
- Mobile Hoist - £5,000
- Barikit - £300
- Hoverjack - £3,300

If equipment used is on a Rental basis, please specify if this was under a contract basis or ad hoc?

N/A

If under contract, when is this due for renewal?

N/A

If known, who is the contract with?

N/A

How many bariatric beds does the Trust own?

The Trust owns 3 bariatric stretchers

How many bariatric patients have been admitted to your hospital/hospitals during the past 12 & 24 months for all procedures?

Please see table below which shows the number of incidents where a bariatric vehicle was used to transport a patient to hospital:

Year	Number of incidents
2016	317
2017	234

Please note that there may be a small number of incidents (less than 10%) where for operational reasons (e.g. vehicle breakdowns) a bariatric vehicle was used for non-bariatric patients.

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Information Governance Manager via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Coordinator
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