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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Bariatric equipment.

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

As the parameters for bariatric and obese are subject to interpretation the Trust has taken the approach of complex needs, where a patient's size or body dynamics exceeds the safe parameters of our Trust standard equipment. A list of standard equipment is shown below:

Standard Equipment	SWL	SWL (Max)
Lifeguard Trolley LG50	250kgs	40 stone
Huntleigh Enterprise 5000	250kgs	40 stone
Huntleigh Enterprise 9000	250kgs	40 stone
Huntleigh Contoura 480	267kgs	42 stone
Huntleigh 1080	450kgs	71 stone
Volker Standard Ward Bed	250kgs	40 stone
Volker Vis-a- Vis Bed	250kgs	40 stone
Volker Ultra Low Bed	170kgs	27 stone
Montcalm Spirit Ultra Low Bed	230kgs	35 stone
Renray Elite Bedside Chair small, medium	127kgs	20 stone
Renray Elite Bedside Chair large, X large	165kgs	25 stone
Liko Golvo Hoist	200kgs	32 stone
Liko Viking Medium hoist	200kgs	32 stone

Liko Viking XL	300kgs	48 stone
LikoRail Ceiling Track	200kgs	32 stone
Liko Ultra Twin Gantry System	2 x 200kgs = 400kgs	2 x 32 stone = 63 stone
Liko Sabina Stand aid	200kgs	32 stone
Liko Roll-on	160kgs	25 stone
Liko High Back Slings S. M. and L	200kgs	32 stone
Verncare Commodes	159kgs	25 stone
Freeway Sani-chair/commode	200kgs	32 stone
Ferno Scoop Stretcher	159kgs	25 stone
Liko High Back Slings, XL	500kgs	79 stone
Liko High Back Slings, XXL	500kgs	79 stone
Baros Powered Riser	381kgs	60 stone
Baros Powered Riser	318kgs	50 stone
Baros Commode	380kgs	60 stone
Shower stool	290kgs	47 stone
Toilet frame	381kgs	60 stone
Over toilet seat	381kgs	60 stone
Walking Frames	318kgs	50 stone
Visitor chair	190kgs	30 stone
Knightsbridge Static Bedside Chair	250kgs	40 stone
Cyfendy bariatric static commode	200kgs	32 stone
Care Flex Hydro Tilt Chair	160kgs	25 stone

A great deal of equipment listed above was purchased for the new Tunbridge Wells Hospital at Pembury opened in 2011. We have life cycled most of this equipment for 7 to 10 years.

Where it is identified that a patient's complex needs requires specialist equipment the Trust generally rent such equipment.

The only items the Trust has purchased in the past three years that is not on the list are: -

Ferno scoop stretchers, 3 for TWH and 3 for Maidstone - SWL 24 stone.

League of Friends purchase

Hover-jack lifting aid for each site - tested up to 70 stone. League of Friends purchase.

The Trust have 2 bariatric bed frames, one on each site but wards rent a lower level bed from 1st Call mobility on an ad-hoc basis, there is no contract in place.