Maidstone and **MHS** Tunbridge Wells

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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 assistive devices following total hip replacement (THR).

Has your hospital discontinued provision of hip precautions and/or assistive devices/equipment such as raised toilet seats, long-handled aids, long-handled shoe horns, sock-aids, long-handled sponges, bath benches, wedge pillows and perching stools to patients following total hip replacement (THR)?

The Trust use hip precautions and issue equipment, such as perching stool and raised toilet seats. The patients purchase their own long handled aids.