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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 urinary incontinence pads.

*You asked:*

- 1. How many bodyworn/non-body worn urinary incontinence pads are used per patient per day?*
- 2. How many bodyworn/non-body worn urinary incontinence pads are used per bed per day?*
- 3. Of your patients who have a bodyworn/non-body worn urinary incontinence pad, how long do they stay in hospital?*
- 4. Of your patients who have a bodyworn/non-body worn pad, what percentage would be long term patients? i.e. stay over 2 weeks in hospital*
- 5. Of the total number of female patients using a bodyworn/non-body worn pad, what percentage has any of the following:*
  - a) Faecal incontinence*
  - b) Obstruction / atonic bladder*
  - c) Surgery in perineal area*

**Trust response:**

The Trust does not keep daily usage figures of urinary incontinence pads and additional information is not held in a reportable format. In order to respond to your request the Trust would need to manually read patient notes. The Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider your request. The appropriate limit is specified in regulations and represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Trust holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 the Trust is not obliged to comply with your request and we will not be processing your request further.