

FOI REF: 23/217

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information about the number of people in your East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust who are in receipt of medical equipment for use in the home and the cost of running these energy devices.

- 1. How many patients of East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust are using or have been prescribed the following medical devices for use in their home?
 - a. Nebuliser
 - b. Oxygen concentrator
 - c. Suction
 - d. Ventilator or non-invasive ventilation (BiPAP or CPAP)
 - e. Feeding pump
 - f. Powered hospital bed
 - q. Electric wheelchair
 - h. Haemodialysis machine
 - i. Body drier
 - j. Chair lift.

East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust does not provide the above medical devices. Further information can be requested from the Local Integrated Care Board (ICB) who are NHS Sussex. Would you therefore please contact them direct for a response to your request, contact details as follows:

Email: sxicb.foi1@nhs.net.

2. What, if any, rebate or refund schemes are made available by East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust for patients in respect of the energy costs they incur running the above devices?

Not applicable.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department (eshtr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Yours sincerely

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