

FOI REF: 25/252

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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:

1. Does your Trust provide a Tier 3 weight management service?

East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust are not commissioned to provide the definition of a Tier 3 service.

If yes:

a. How many patients did this service support in 2023/24?

Not applicable.

b. How many people are currently on the waiting list for this service?

Not applicable.

c. What is the current average waiting time (in weeks) for this service?

Not applicable.

2. Does the Tier 3 service receive patients from other specialties within the Trust for weight management support (e.g., orthopaedics, cardiology)

Not applicable.

3. How many clinical FTEs (Consultants, Dietitians, Psychologists, Nurses) are assigned to the Tier 3 service?

Not applicable.

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4. Does your Trust offer Wegovy treatment as part of the Tier 3 service?

Not applicable.

i. If yes, how many patients were prescribed Wegovy in 2023/24?

Not applicable.

ii. If no, are there plans to introduce Wegovy or Mounjaro as treatment options in 2025/26?

Not applicable.

5. Does your Tier 3 weight management service give patients the option of accessing the majority or entirety of their remotely (e.g. through Zoom calls or a digital platform)?

Not applicable.

i. If not, do you have any plans to provide a remote/virtual/digital service in 2025/26?

Not applicable.

6. Who in your organisation is responsible for the management of the Tier 3 weight management service? Please provide name, position and contact details where possible.

Not applicable.

If no:

a. are there any plans to introduce or mobilise a Tier 3 service in 2025/26?

No.

7. Does your Trust provide a Tier 4 (bariatric surgery) weight management service?

East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust are not commissioned to provide the definition of a Tier 4 service.

If yes:

a. How many bariatric procedures were performed in 2023/24?

Not applicable.

b. How many patients did this service support in 2023/24?

Not applicable.

c. How many people are currently on the waiting list for this service?

Not applicable.

d. What is the current average waiting time (in weeks) for this service?

Not applicable.

8. Does the Tier 4 service receive patients from other specialties within the Trust (e.g. orthopaedics, cardiology)?

Not applicable.

9. Does your Trust offer Wegovy treatment as part of the Tier 4 service?

Not applicable.

i. If yes, how many patients were prescribed Wegovy in 2023/24?

Not applicable.

ii. If no, are there plans to introduce Wegovy or Mounjaro as treatment options in 2025/26?

Not applicable.

10. Who in your organisation is responsible for the management of the Tier 4 bariatric service? Please provide name, position and contact details where possible.

Not applicable.

If no:

a. Are there any plans to introduce or mobilise a Tier 4 service in 2025/26?

No.

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 (esh-tr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

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Yours sincerely

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