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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 14th August 2023. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

Requested information:

1. Please can you provide the last 3 years spend on specialist seating used for patients i.e., recliners and tilt in space chairs not general staff or waiting type seating, excluding VAT, broken down by year i.e., 2020, 2021 and 2022. There is no preference on if this is fiscal or calendar year.

2020	2021	2022
£0	£2,506.56	£0

2. In each of these years please could you highlight the 3 models you purchased/rented the most of by quantity. **Brittany blood sampling chair**
3. Do you purchase outright or rent/hire your specialist seating for the trust. If there is a mixture, please could you quantify the split per year for the last 3 years. **Purchase outright.**
4. Please confirm which manufacturers of specialist seating your organisation purchased/rented from i.e., Ocura, DHG, Seating Matters, Remtec, Vivid Care, Premiere, Felgains Formal, Caremed. If multiple suppliers, please could you outline the top 3 by spend per year for 3 the last 3 years. **Ocura Healthcare Ltd**
5. Are you currently in a specialist seating contract if so, who is this with, when does this run to and is there an agreed extension in place? **No**
6. Within the last 12 months has there been any entry to the trusts risk register with regards to specialist seating and if so, has this been resolved or still open

1 risk in which a specialist setttee was needed to support staff and patient to remain in a seated position during high level holds. This supports the NG tube feeding. This has now been resolved and risk closed.

7. Please can you provide the details of your hospitals care or multidisciplinary team (MDT's) that collaborate to provide fundamental care for patients? **As per clarity received in terms of what details you require "Do you have a Fundamentals of Care Group", we can confirm that The Trust does not have a Fundamentals of Care Group**

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review of the management of your request. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Dr Buki Adeyemo, Chief Executive, North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare Trust, Trust Headquarters, Lawton House, Bellringer Road, Trentham, ST4 8HH. If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely



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