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Dear

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

We are now pleased to respond to your request for information under the FOI Act.

You asked:

Which make and model of Positive Air Pressure (PAP) machines does your Trust provide to patients suffering from sleep apnoea?

1. *As standard?*

Resmed airsense 10 autoCPAP device

2. *For any circumstances where the patient is deemed to need additional features to the standard machines your Trust provide (eg APAP, BiPAP or any other type of machine instead of CPAP)?*

We provide BiPAP and autoCS devices for more complex respiratory problems

From where does your Trust purchase the machines provided to patients?

1. *Direct from manufacturer? Yes*
2. *Through a third party supplier?*

From where does your Trust purchase the masks provided to patients?

3. *Direct from manufacturer?*
4. *Through a third party supplier?*

This depends on the mask. Some are bought direct from manufacturer, others through a third party supplier

How much does your trust pay per unit for the model(s) of PAP machines you supply?

Refusal Notice

Commercially sensitive information relating to the price paid per machine has not been disclosed here as we consider that Section 43 (2) 'prejudice to the commercial interests of any party' of the FOI act is engaged. Disclosure of this information could be commercially detrimental to the Trust and companies acting on our behalf and result in less competitive prices for services. The likely consequence of this would be increased cost for service provision to the Trust. We have considered how the public interest might apply, and although recognising that there is a strong public interest in openness, there is a greater public interest in ensuring an ability to obtain best value for money

How much does your trust pay per unit for the model(s) of PAP masks you supply?

Mask price varies dependant on make and model of the individual mask. It ranges from £50 to £130

How many new PAP machines has your Trust supplied to patients for each of your last three fiscal years?

We currently do not hold this exact information

How many patients in total does your Trust currently provide PAP machines and accessories to?

We currently do not have this exact information

How often do you review patient use of their machine and accessories in an outpatient appointment?

Review is based on clinical need. Those that need more input are seen more frequently than those managing therapy well. All patients are reviewed at least once per year.

I trust that this information is helpful to you, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 488271. If we do not hear from you within 28 days we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



Andrew Foster
Chief Executive

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