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Re: Freedom of Information Request Ref: 62- 2018

Thank you for your email dated the 27th March 2018, requesting information regarding walking aids.

Please find the information required in Appendix 1.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on the email address provided below.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for this to be investigated internally.

If you are dissatisfied with the information you have received, you have the right to ask for an internal review.

Both processes will be handled in accordance with our Trust's Freedom of Information Policy and the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Internal investigation and 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: Freedom of Information Review, The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust, Clatterbridge Road, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 4JY

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal investigation/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.

In order for us to ensure customer satisfaction and to monitor compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we would be grateful if you could take a couple of minutes to complete a short feedback form via the link below:

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/H39RFMM

Appendix 1

In the last 5 years, how many walking frames (including zimmer frames, wheeled walkers, rollators and pick-up walkers) and how many walking sticks have been issued to patients by your Trust? Please include separate numbers for each category of walking aid.

Walking sticks = 180

What was the total spend by your Trust on the above for each of the last 5 years? (if possible, please break this down by year and item type).

YEAR	ITEM	SPEND
2013	Walking Sticks	£157.25
2014	Walking Sticks	£89.80
2015	Walking Sticks	£0
2016	Walking Sticks	£176.02
2017	Walking Sticks	£265.26
2018 to date	Walking Sticks	£88.42
Total		£776.75

How many of the above have been returned to your Trust by patients over the last 5 years? (if possible, please break this down by year and item type).

N/A- These are non returnable and classed as a consumable

Of those returned, how many were deemed fit for re-use and how many were classed as unfit for re-issue?

N/A