

Date: 3 October 2019

**Re: Freedom of Information Request**  
**Ref: 259 – 2019**

Thank you for your email dated the 13th September 2019 requesting information relating pressure area care mattresses.

The information that you require is as follows:

1. **Is The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust currently under contract with regards to pressure area care mattresses? If so with who?**

**The Trust has purchased all its current mattresses.**

2. **When is this contract due to end?**

**N/A**

3. **How many mattresses are in the contract?**

**N/A**

4. **Is this a rental or a purchase contract?**

**N/A**

5. **Does the contract cover the servicing of these?**

**The Trust has a service contract for mattress pumps with the supplier**

6. **Does this contract cover bariatric as well?**

**The service contract is for all mattresses including bariatric**

7. Does the contract include beds?

All beds are newly purchased in November 2018, and remain under warranty

8. If not who is this contract held with?

N/A

9. How many static (foam) mattresses on average does The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust purchase in a year?

We are unable to provide a yearly average. The Trusts replacement programme is based on the manufacturers recommended shelf life of the product, these mattresses have an expected shelf life of 7 to 10 years. The Trust completed a total replacement programme in 2016 which included 64 hybrid mercury advance mattresses and 35 air pumps.

10. Which manufacturers products do you use and Is this under contract?

Beds were purchased from Arjo and mercury hybrid advance mattresses purchased through Direct HealthCare

11. Who is the main Tissue Viability Nurse for the Trust?

The Trust does not have a main Tissue Viability Nurse. However, the Trust has a number of healthcare professionals with extended tissue viability knowledge to support safe care being delivered.

12. Who is the main Procurement Manager for The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust

Anthony Marsland; Medical Devices & Commodities Manager

13. Who would manage the procurement of mattresses within the trust?

As above

14. Does the Trust receive any decontamination service for beds and mattresses?

**The manufacturers cleaning protocol for both our beds and mattresses allows for internal, Trust, decontamination.**

**15. If so with who?**

**N/A**

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.

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