FOI 060 2024 Response

Request

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to ask that you answer the following questions that relate to spending on absorbent continence products within your NHS Trust in the last 5 years.

For context, the information requested relates to the NHS Bladder and Bowel or Continence Services, which provide absorbent continence pads to adult community patients. The individual trust data is requested.

- 1) In your Trust is there a "cap/limit" on the number of absorbent continence pads provided per patient in each 24-hour period, if so, what is the number?
- 2) How much has your Trust actually spent on absorbent continence products during each of the last 5 financial years, and what is the annual budget for absorbent continence products during each of those years? Please give a figure for each year 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23.
- 3) What is the total annual number of patients in receipt of absorbent continence products in your trust? Please give a figure for each year 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23.

Response

Please note that Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health Foundation Trust explicitly provide mental health services and do not provide physical healthcare like an Acute Trust.

Your request for information is therefore not applicable to the Trust.