

Re: request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Question 1: How many patients within the latest annual reporting were receiving home dialysis treatment (this may be referred to as home haemodialysis or peritoneal dialysis)?

Answer: For the last 12 months there have been a total of 37 patients receiving Peritoneal Dialysis treatment and 10 patients receiving Home Haemodialysis Treatment.

Question 2a: How many patients within the latest annual reporting period applied for the reimbursement of utility costs for home dialysis treatments?

Answer: All patients receiving Peritoneal dialysis treatment receive three monthly utility payments. All patients receiving Home Haemodialysis treatment received reimbursement of utility costs.

Question 2b: Of these, how many were successful?

Answer: All patients receiving Peritoneal dialysis and Home Haemodialysis were successful in receiving reimbursement of utility costs.

Question 3: What is the total amount spent by the Trust on the reimbursement of utility costs for home dialysis treatment within the latest annual reporting period?

Answer: £9129.91 in 2023/24

Question 4: Please provide any internal guidelines which supports the Trust in making decisions around the reimbursement of utility costs for dialysis treatment?

Answer: The Trust currently doesn't have any guidelines around the reimbursement of utility costs, however patients automatically receive three monthly utility payments dependant on how long they are on dialysis. Overnight Peritoneal Dialysis requires the machines to be in use for 8 hours per night. Daytime Peritoneal Dialysis requires the bag warmer being on for 24 hours per day.