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Address / Email:

Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Request

Please could you answer the following questions under the Freedom of Information Act.

1. Does the trust have a specialist obesity or weight management Clinic for:

- Children between ages 4 – 18 -
- Adults

2. Number of patients treated in the last financial year

- Child
- Adult

3. What treatment pathways for obesity or weight management do the Trust provide?

4. The average number of visit per year to the obesity or weight management clinic.

5. Please provide the following information for the Lead Clinician for Obesity services

- Name
- Job title
- Email

6. Does the Trust use a specialist software platform for obesity or weight management clinics?

- The name of the supplier
- The length of contract
- Total contract value

7. Please provide Total financial costs to the trust for obesity and weight management services provided for the last financial year?

8. If the Trust does not have an obesity or specialist weight management clinic, is there a plan to

develop one in the next 3 years. This would include the acquisition of a specialist software platform to help management of patient.

Response

Please could you answer the following questions under the Freedom of Information Act.

1. Does the trust have a specialist obesity or weight management Clinic for

- Children between ages 4 – 18

No, we do not, children with obesity are seen in the Endocrine Clinic.

- Adults – Yes

2. Number of patients treated in the last financial year.

- child – **N/A**
- adult – **N/A**

3. What treatment pathways for obesity or weight management do the Trust provide?

Weight loss advice, medication, and bariatric surgery referral (to tertiary centre).

4. The average number of visits per year to the obesity or weight management clinic.

Depends on pathway but between 6 to 12.

5. Please provide the following information for the Lead Clinician for Obesity services

To see a structure of the Board of Directors and the areas they cover please go to [Board structure - The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust \(dgft.nhs.uk\)](https://www.dgft.nhs.uk).

- Name
- Job title
- Email

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N/A

- The name of the supplier
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7. Please provide Total financial costs to the trust for obesity and weight management services provided for the last financial year?

In terms of clinic-based costs and drugs, this is not an exact figure as the service within which Weight Management is provided is wrapped up with the rest of the Chemical Pathology service. An approximation of costs in 23/24 is approx. £800k.

8. If the Trust does not have an obesity or specialist weight management clinic, is there a plan to develop one in the next 3 years. This would include the acquisition of a specialist software

platform to help management of patient.

N/A

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Team
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