



FOI 3156

Date 28/06/2024

Dear Requester,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request. Please note, this is a cross-site response for Bedford site and Luton site.

You asked:

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

- Children between ages 4 – 18 - No
- Adults - Yes

2. Number of patients treated in the last financial year

- child – N/A
- adult - 487

3. What treatment pathways for obesity or weight management do the Trust provide? – Tier 3 Weight Management service

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

6 visits

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

- Name – exempted under Section 40 (Personal Data)
- Job title –
- Email -

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

- The name of the supplier – Dendrite LTD
- The length of contract – 1 year
- Total contract value – £17,112

7. Please provide Total financial costs to the trust for obesity and weight management services provided for the last Financial year? Dedicated obesity and weight management services cost £636k in 2023/24. In addition to this, total surgeon costs of £1.48 million were incurred – however, whilst surgeons carry out a range of bariatric surgical activity/clinics their time is shared with other general surgery activity. Therefore an element of this cost will be non weight management related.



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

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Yours sincerely,

FOI Officer

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