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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/014063 - Cleaning and recycling hospital equipment

1.a I wish to know what the trust's policy is on cleaning and recycling hospital equipment used by patients, such as wheelchairs and walking sticks?

There is no formal policy however this equipment is cleaned and recycled for patient use.

1.b What items, under this policy, which could be cleaned and reused, do you bin after one use? Therapy services cleans and recycles, wheelchairs, walking frames, walking stick, crutches, toilet equipment , chairs, perching stools, kitchen trolleys. only equipment that is identified as single use is thrown away, eg splints, therapeutic putty.

For the below questions - if there is a way for you to divide the information by equipment type, and quantity, please do.

2.a What would be the estimated cost of cleaning these items over the financial year?

Not recorded

2.b For the last three financial years (2015-16, 16-17, 17-18) divided by year, what has been the cost of binning these items?

Not recorded

2.c For the last three financial years (2015-16, 16-17, 17-18) divided by year, much has it cost to replace these items?

Not recorded

2.d For the last three financial years (2015-16, 16-17, 17-18) divided by year, how many items that could be reused have patients not returned?

Not recorded

3.a How much did the trust spend on rubbish collection for hospital waste?

Please note:- All FM services are provided by our PFI Partner, Summit Healthcare. The Trust's contract with our PFI expires after 17th May 2041. The project term is for 40 years. The full range of services is paid by means of a single Unitary Payment which does not identify individual cost items