

2018-631 - FOI Request - Sanitary products

<p>1. Does your trust provide free female sanitary products (such as sanitary pads and tampons, but excluding maternity sanitary products) to in-patients?</p>	<p>Yes.</p>
<p>2. Does your trust have a policy covering the provision of female sanitary products (such as sanitary pads and tampons, but excluding maternity sanitary products) to inpatients? If yes, please provide this policy.</p>	<p>We do not have a policy pertaining to this.</p>
<p>3. How many premises with inpatient beds are there in your Trust and at how many of these premises are female sanitary products (such as sanitary pads and tampons, but excluding maternity sanitary products) available to purchase on site? For example, in shops or bathroom vending-machines.</p>	<p>There is only one premise within the Trust with inpatient beds. Female sanitary products are available to purchase on this site.</p>
<p>4. How much did your trust spend (£) on female sanitary products (such as sanitary pads and tampons, but excluding maternity sanitary products) in the following financial years? Where possible, please provide a breakdown of this spending against the products' NHS Supply Chain catalogue codes.</p>	
<p>Our spend was as follows (we can only go back five years as NHS Supply Chain only provide this timescale):</p>	
<p>All the spend is on code EOC018 sanitary towels.</p>	
<p>Year</p>	<p>Spend (£)</p>
<p>2017/18</p>	<p>£304.83</p>
<p>2016/17</p>	<p>£310.53</p>
<p>2015/16</p>	<p>£319.45</p>
<p>2014/15</p>	<p>£389.39</p>
<p>2013/14</p>	<p>-</p>
<p>2012/13</p>	<p>-</p>

5. How many inpatients beds were there in your trust for each of the following financial years?

Q4 KH03	Beds Available
2017/18	65,850
2016/17	65,429
2015/16	66,748
2014/15	66,876
2013/14	65,471
2012/13	67,209

**Notes:**

Total of inpatients beds for each of the following financial years taken from Quarter 4 KH03 figures. These include overnight G & A & Maternity, Day wards G & A and Maternity.

6. Please provide a list of all items that are supplied to inpatients free of charge in your trust, and a list of all items which you advise in-patients to bring with them for an overnight or extended stay.

Items provided to inpatients vary dependent upon the ward, items include: baby bath, dry wipes, hair brushes, nappies, net knickers, sanitary towels, tooth brushes and toothpaste.

For information about items inpatients are advised to bring, please see our website: <http://www.boltonft.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/hospital/inpatients/>