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Date: 18th April 2023
Ref: CORP 2023-056

Dear *****

**Freedom of Information request : Medical Equipment for Home Use - CORP
2023 - 056**

Thank you for your request for the following information which the Trust received on 30th March 2023.

Your Request:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information about the number of people in your Velindre NHs trust who are in receipt of medical equipment for use in the home and the cost of running these energy devices.

1. *How many patients of Velindre NHs trust are using or have been prescribed the following medical devices for use in their home?*
 - a. *Nebuliser*
 - b. *Oxygen concentrator*
 - c. *Suction*
 - d. *Ventilator or non-invasive ventilation (BiPAP or CPAP)*
 - e. *Feeding pump*
 - f. *Powered hospital bed*
 - g. *Electric wheelchair*
 - h. *Haemodialysis machine*
 - i. *Body drier*
 - j. *Chair lift.*

2. *What, if any, rebate or refund schemes are made available by Velindre NHS trust for patients in respect of the energy costs they incur running the above devices?*

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The Trust's response:

The Trust has reviewed your request which is correctly formatted and complies with Section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act.

The Information you have requested is below:

1. How many patients of Velindre NHS trust are using or have been prescribed the following medical devices for use in their home?

a. Nebuliser

Total of 81 prescribed (Service is provided by Cardiff & Vale Equipment Loan Service)

b. Oxygen concentrator

Nil

c. Suction

Nil

d. Ventilator or non-invasive ventilation (BiPAP or CPAP)

Nil

e. Feeding pump

Total 62 prescribed. We facilitate the pump being provided to the patients via a private provider and in line with the local feeding contracts within their Health Board area

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f. Powered hospital bed

Nil

g. Electric wheelchair

Nil

h. Haemodialysis machine

Nil

i. Body drier

Nil

j. Chair lift

Nil

2. What, if any, rebate or refund schemes are made available by Velindre NHS trust for patients in respect of the energy costs they incur running the above devices?

The Trust does not participate in any rebate/relief schemes that are made available by Velindre Cancer Centre for patients in respect of the energy costs they incur running the above devices.

I trust this answers your request for information, however, should you not be satisfied with the information supplied or the process of supplying it, you have a right to complain and request a review. Please note that you must submit a request for a review within 40 days of the date of this letter.

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You should forward your complaint to:-

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Should you wish to take your complaint further, if you are still unhappy with the decision after review, you can contact the:-

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Telephone: 0330 414 6421
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Yours sincerely,

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