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Subject: MRI Scans and Obesity

REQUEST

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information:

- a) How many MRI scans were aborted for reasons related to the patient being too large or heavy to use the scanner for each of the last three financial years (April 1 2015 - March 31 2016, April 1 2016 - March 31 2017, April 1 2017 - March 31 2018) and between April 2018 and the current date if recorded.
- b) i) Has your you trust purchased extra-large scanners (if information held) ? (The hole size of standard scanner measures 68cm (26in) and some hospitals put a 25-stone (158kg) limit on patients using them.)
ii) How much money was spent purchasing these extra-large scanners (if information held)?

Please provide the information in excel or csv format.

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under your Section 16 obligations, as to how I can refine my request to be included in the scope of the Act.

In any case, if you can identify ways that my request could be refined please provide further advice and assistance to indicate this.

RESPONSE

- a) The Trust does not collate this data.
- b) 3 MR scanners on site. 2 x wide-bore, 70cm scanners
- c) £1.5 million