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Dear Sir or Madam,

Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received by the Trust on 01/09/2021. Please see responses to your requests below.

Orthotics

1. Finance

a. Does your trust/board provide a contracted orthotic service or a NHS in house service?

The Trust's orthotic service is contracted.

b. If your service is run by a contractor:

i. please name them?

Steeper Group.

ii. when did the current agreement start?

The contract commenced on 6th April 2015.

iii. What is the total value of the contract?

The contract value is considered commercially sensitive and is therefore exempt under section 43 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

iv. Is the tender covering both service and product? Please state what it covers

The tender covers the service only.

v. How is your orthotics service commissioned? By Block contract? By local tariff?

The orthotics service is commissioned by tariff.

vi. If you are on a local tariff how much does your Trust/ Health board get paid per contact?

The Trust is paid £191.88 per contact.

c. Please provide annual volumes of orders for the last 12 months for the following products

Products:	Number:
Stock paediatric Footwear	47
Modular adult Orthotic Footwear	259.5
Bespoke Orthotic Footwear	230
Orthotic Footwear repairs	1877
Moulded EVA Insoles	1309
Plastic Heel cups	20
Carbon Fibre Insoles	6
Bespoke AFOs	285

d. Can you give the breakdown of your financial performance versus budget for your Orthotic PRODUCT annually for the last 5 years?

The Trust has no budget for delivery of products as the cost is passed to the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG).

The two main Clinical Commissioning Group's the Trust's activity falls within are NHS Portsmouth CCG and NHS Hampshire, Southampton and Isle of Wight CCG.

e. Can you give a breakdown of your financial performance versus budget for your orthotic SERVICE excluding all NON-PAY items. annually for the last 5 years?

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2. Service provision

a. Please list the clinics providing orthotic services and for each of them

i. The number of orthotists utilised by the trust

All our Orthotists are contracted to Steeper Group.

ii. Annual full cost of the service

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b. Over the last five financial years, how many orthotics appointments were made for your entire service?

There were 44,686 orthotic appointments made between 01/04/2017 to 31/03/21.

Prosthetics

1. Finance

a. Does your trust/board provide a contracted prosthetic service or a NHS in house service?

This service is contracted.

b. If your service is run by a contractor:

i. please name them?

Steeper Group.

ii. when did the current agreement start?

The contract commenced on 6th April 2015.

iii. What is the total value of the contract?

The contract value is considered commercially sensitive and is there exempt under section 43 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000

iv. Is the tender covering both service and product? Please state what it covers

The tender covers the service only.

v. How is your prosthetics service commissioned? By Block contract? By local tariff?

The prosthetics service is commissioned by tariff.

vi. If you are on a local tariff how much does your Trust/ Health board get paid per contact?

The Trust is paid £430.75 per contact.

c. Please provide annual volumes of orders for the last 12 months for the following products

i. Upper limbs prosthetics

110.

ii. Lower limbs prosthetics (excluding micro-processor-controlled limbs)

2,197.

iii. Micro-processor-controlled lower limbs prosthetics

25.

d. Can you give the breakdown of your financial performance versus budget for your prosthetic PRODUCT annually for the last 5 years?

The Trust has no budget for delivery of product as cost is passed to NHS England (NHSE).

e. Can you give a breakdown of your financial performance versus budget for your prosthetic SERVICE excluding all NON-PAY items.

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2. Service provision

a. Please list the clinics providing prosthetic services and for each of them

i. The number of prosthetists utilised by the trust

All our Prosthetists are contracted to Steeper Group.

ii. Annual full cost of the service

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b. Over the last five financial years, how many prosthetic appointments were made for your entire service?

There were 35,498 prosthetic appointment made between 01/04/2017 to 31/03/21.

Please accept this letter as completion of your request. Please note that copies of this request will be held on file for three years before being confidentially destroyed.

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, please contact our Head of Information Governance on Information.Governance@porthosp.nhs.uk or write to the above address and we will conduct an internal review. Upon review, if you are still dissatisfied, you may appeal our decision by contacting the Information Commissioner's Office; for more information, please visit the [ICO's website](#).

Please be aware, if we do not receive an appeal within 30 days of you receiving this letter, we will assume that you are satisfied with our response. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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