

## Freedom of Information Request

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### Information Requested:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information about the number of people in your Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation 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 [Trust Name] are using or have been prescribed the following medical devices for use in their home?
    - a. Nebuliser  
17
    - b. Oxygen concentrator  
0 – oxygen concentrators are supplied by BOC
    - c. Suction  
54
    - d. Ventilator or non-invasive ventilation (BiPAP or CPAP)  
0 prescribed and supported by Acute Services
    - e. Feeding pump  
0
    - f. Powered hospital bed  
12
    - g. Electric wheelchair  
397. Based on the £ charges for charging 12-volt batteries Powered Wheelchair = Q400 Batteries = 2 x 12 volt 50Ah, Average battery charging for 2 x 12 volt 50Ah is £0.23p per full Recharge. Electricity cost £0.34p kWh. You would be looking at an annual cost, to charge the Q400 365 per year of £83.95 to charge a wheelchair for 365 days a year
    - h. Haemodialysis machine  
0
    - i. Body drier  
0
    - j. Chair lift.  
N/A
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2. What, if any, rebate or refund schemes are made available by Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust for patients in respect of the energy costs they incur running the above devices?

None

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