FOI 072/2022 Response

Request

What capital investment has been made within the past 3 years to adapt the Trusts mental health wards to suitably accommodate bariatric patients? Please can you provide the amount of spend and a brief summary of works completed.

Response

There have been Nil (0) capital investment for adaptions to accommodate bariatric patients within the Trust.

The Bariatric Policy has been amended to only include patients who can mobilise and therefore reduces the need for wheelchairs, wide doorways, lifts and hoists.

Please bear in mind, that the Trust is not distinguishing bariatric admissions from any other mental health need for admission. The policy acknowledges the need for more robust equipment, and equipment will be arranged by each ward on a hire basis.