

FOI 3250

2nd September 2025

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

Does your organisation provide care to individuals aged 0-25 who may use home enteral feeding tubes?

Response:

Yes

1. How many patients has your organisation provided dietetic care for home enteral tube feeding between 01-01-2023-31-12-2024?

Response:

350 patients

a. Divided into the following age categories: 0-18, 18-25, 25+ (age when they joined the caseload or age on 01-01-23 if they were on the caseload throughout this period).

Response:

0-17: 120

18-25: 0

25+: 230

b. If possible, please provide caseload numbers by age (e.g. <1, 1-2, 2-3... years etc.)

Response:

Breakdown for <18yrs provided – Please see attachment 1.

2. Of these, how many individuals use a blended diet*?

Response:

17

a. Divided in the following age categories: 0-18, 18-25, 25+

Response:

0-17: 16

18-24: 0

25+: 1

- b. If possible, please provide caseload numbers by age (e.g. <1, 1-2, 2-3... years etc.)¹**

Response:

Please see attachment 1.

3. Does your organisation have the following:

- a. Local blended diet policy – Acute setting**

Response:

No

- b. Local blended diet policy – Community setting**

Response:

No

- c. Blended diet guideline –**

Response:

Yes for Paediatrics only.

- d. Blended diet standard operating guideline or procedure**

Response:

Yes

- e. Blended diet training package**

Response:

Yes

- f. If yes to 4a-4e, please provide a copy.**

Response:

Please see attachment 2.

4. Are any staff employed by your organisation in roles funded by income provided by an enteral feeding provider (e.g. Nutricia, Abbott)?

Response:

No



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- a. **If yes, please state number of posts (whole time equivalent) and Agenda for Change banding.**

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