

**Reference Number:** /520  
**From:** Other  
**Date:** 14 February 2024  
**Subject:** Weight limits for MRI and CT scans

**Q1** The number of patients sent to an alternative provider because they exceeded the weight limit for MRI scans, CT scans or weighing scales within your hospital(s) in 2023.

**A1** Zero

**Q2** The number of patients sent to an alternative provider because they exceeded the weight limit for MRI scans, CT scans or weighing scales within your hospital(s) in 2022.

**A2** Zero

**Q3** The names of the alternative providers used by your hospital(s) for CT scans, MRI scans and weighing scales for patients who exceed the weight limit for equipment within your hospital(s).

**A3** Not applicable- no alternative providers used.

**Q4** How many patients have been sent to each alternative provider in the last two years because they exceed the weight limit for MRI scans, CT scans or weighing scales.

**A4** Zero

**Q5** Why doesn't the hospital have facilities to weigh these patients?

**A5** Not applicable- the hospital has scanners with a weight limit of around 250kg.

**Q6** How much does referral of patients who exceed the weight limit for equipment at your hospital(s) to alternative providers cost your hospital(s) per annum for the previous two financial years?

**A6** Not applicable- no referrals made to alternative providers.

**Q7** How many requests for CT scans, MRI scans and weighing of patients have been declined by your hospital(s) in the last two years because patients have exceeded the weight limits for equipment.

**A7** Zero