

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 22-563

3 October 2022

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

• We can confirm that we do not hold the information you are requesting

1) How many people were provided with a) accommodation in hotels and b) taxis as part of government plans to reduce the waiting list by sending patients to out-of-area hospitals from January 1st, 2022, to the date of this email?

We do not hold this information. Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group provided ICS D2A funding for private care please contact their Freedom of Information team on <u>bnssg.foi@nhs.net</u>

2) Please tell me a) the total number of nights in a hotel funded over this period and b) the total number of taxi journeys funded, as well as c) the types of medical procedures that were 'outsourced' in this way to out-of-area services and the names of the hospitals that carried them out

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3) What was the total cost of a) the hotels and b) the taxis?

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4) Please tell me a) the THREE most expensive amounts paid per single night of accommodation in a hotel, and tell me the names and addresses of the establishments and b) please also state the THREE biggest amounts spent on taxi rides and the starting point and destination of each of these rides.

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This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Data Protection Officer University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust Trust Headquarters Marlborough Street Bristol BS1 3NU

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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