

**Freedom of Information Request**

**Ref: 23-018**

18 January 2023

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 hold some of the information you are requesting

**1. Please provide the total number of A&E attendances by patients of No Fixed Abode/Address for each of the financial years from 2011/12 to 2021/2022.**

Please note that we can only provide this information from 2014/2015:

**2014/2015** 369  
**2015/2016** 622  
**2016/2017** 538  
**2017/2018** 630  
**2018/2019** 579  
**2019/2020** 568  
**2020/2021** 505  
**2021/2022** 580  
**2022/2023** 444

**2. Please also provide the number of these individuals (as outlined in Q1) who were admitted with a primary/secondary diagnosis of drug poisoning.**

Please note that we can only provide data from 2017/2018 onwards for this question due to the way diagnoses for attendances were coded before this date.

**2017/2018** 8  
**2018/2019** 30  
**2019/2020** 10  
**2020/2021** 11  
**2021/2022** 23  
**2022/2023** 21

**3. Please provide the total number of hospital admissions by patients of No Fixed**

**Abode/Address for each of the same financial years.**

Please note that we can only provide this information from 2014/2015:

**2014/2015** 68  
**2015/2016** 51  
**2016/2017** 45  
**2017/2018** 43  
**2018/2019** 52  
**2019/2020** 58  
**2020/2021** 98  
**2021/2022** 113  
**2022/2023** 114

**4. Please also provide the number of these individuals (as outlined in Q3) who were admitted with a primary/secondary diagnosis of drug poisoning.**

Please note that we can only provide this information from 2014/2015:

**2014/2015** 14  
**2015/2016** 13  
**2016/2017** 9  
**2017/2018** 31  
**2018/2019** 27  
**2019/2020** 10  
**2020/2021** 10  
**2021/2022** 19  
**2022/2023** 15

Please note: University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust merged with Weston General Hospital in April 2020 to become University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust. The above data does not include data from Weston General Hospital pre-merger due to the data being held on a different system and would involve a manual trawl - the Trust does not hold the data in a format that would enable us to fully respond to your request to the level of detail required and a manual trawl for this information would significantly exceed the 18 hours limit set down by the FOI as the reasonable limit. Section 12 of the FOIA provides that we are not obliged to spend in excess of 18 hours in any sixty-day period locating, retrieving and identifying information in order to deal with a request for information and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

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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