

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 23-638

11 September 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 do hold the information you are requesting
- 1. For each of the two financial years 21-22 and 22-23 how many investigations /reviews did your trust conduct into allegations of failings among individual members of your medical staff?**
 - 2. For each of these investigations / reviews please state how much in total was spent engaging external private companies to assist in evidence gathering over allegations of failing among individual members of your medical staff? For clarity this excludes any input from public bodies such as the CQC or Royal Colleges or HSIB.**
 - 3. For each of the financial years 2021-22 and 2022-23 how many, if any, non-disclosure agreements were signed by members of your medical staff?**
 - 4. Of those NDA's signed, how many were agreed as part of a financial settlement?**
 - 5. For each of the financial years 2021-22 and 2-22-23 what was the total sum the trust paid to staff in financial settlements which included NDA's?**

We do hold the requested information; however, under Section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act the Trust is exempt from disclosing the information as it is intended for future publication on the Trust's website in September 2023 on the following link (request reference 23-550 and 23-558):

<https://www.uhbw.nhs.uk/p/how-we-use-your-data/freedom-of-information-foi-requests#FOI-disclosure-log>

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
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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

Publication

Please note that this letter and the information included/attached will be published on our website as part of the Trust's Freedom of Information Publication Log. This is because information disclosed in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act is disclosed to the public, not just to the individual making the request. We will remove any personal information (such as your name, email and so on) from any information we make public to protect your personal information.

To view the Freedom of Information Act in full please click [here](#).

Yours sincerely

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