

**Freedom of Information Request**

**Ref: UHB 20-286**

13 August 2020

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.

**Request:**

1. **Please could you tell me which private hospitals the trust has contracted with to take Covid patients if needed/provide spare capacity since 1 January 2020?**  
Contracts have been agreed at a national level between NHS England and the independent sector. Therefore we do not hold this information.
2. **How much was each private hospital paid to keep spare capacity and/or per patient?**  
Not applicable.
3. **How many patients with Covid-19 or suspected Covid-19 have been treated at each of the private hospitals with which the trust has been contracted with during the period of the arrangements?**  
Not applicable.
4. **Please could you provide the dates of when the arrangements with each private hospital started and ended (or is due to end) and the dates on - and period for which - it was renewed, if it was renewed?**  
Not applicable.

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:

Director of Corporate Governance  
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust  
Trust Headquarters  
Marlborough Street  
Bristol  
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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

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Yours sincerely

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