

Ref: 21-322

Freedom of Information Request

22 June 2021

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 the information you are requesting

a) On how many occasions was the maternity unit closed to new admissions in 2020/21?

12

b) For each such occasion, please state the duration of and the reason for the closure.

April 2020 - Closed due to high workload

July 2020 - Closed due to unit being full 10 woman requiring 1 to 1 care

July 2020 - Closed due to capacity reached

August 2020 - Closed due to capacity being reached

August 2020 - Closed due to capacity being reached

September 2020 - Closed due to Covid amber patient in with Covid negative patients

September 2020 - Closed due to capacity being reached

October 2020 - Closed due to high workload

October 2020 - Closed due to capacity being reached

November 2020 - Closed due to capacity being reached

February 2021 - Closed due to capacity being reached

March 2021 - Closed due to capacity being reached

We do not hold information on how long the closure was but basically it is assessed on a case by case basis

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 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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