

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 22-045

11 February 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 hold some the information you are requesting

1. The total number of colonoscopies undertaken in University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust for the period i) April 2019-March 2020 and ii) April 2020-March 2021.

April 2019-March 2021 - 3291 April 2020-March 2021 - 3240

2. The total number of people diagnosed with colorectal cancer (or other clearly defined indications) within University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust for the period i) April 2019-March 2020 and ii) April 2020-March 2021.

April 2019-March 2021 - 229 April 2020-March 2021 - 282

3. The average adenoma detection rate (ADR) and post-colonoscopy colorectal cancer rate (PCCRC) for University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust for the period i) April 2019-March 2020 and ii) April 2020-March 2021

Please note, 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.

4. The total number of cancers detected, against cancer stage (e.g. 1,2,3 or 4), against colonoscopies performed in the prior three years within University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust in the period i) April 2019-March 2020 and ii) April 2020-March 2021

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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:

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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