

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 22-114

17 March 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 do hold the information you are requesting

1. The number of children attending A and E with upper and lower urinary tract infections also referred to as bladder infection, kidney infection, pyelonephritis and cystitis

2014 33
2015 40
2016 85
2017 248
2018 596
2019 711
2020 511
2021 687

2. The number of children admitted into hospital with upper and lower urinary tract infections also referred to as bladder infection, kidney infection, pyelonephritis and cystitis

2014 288
2015 550
2016 457
2017 384
2018 334
2019 357
2020 264
2021 304

3. The number of children diagnosed with urinary sepsis.

2014 210
2015 274
2016 343
2017 280
2018 382
2019 387
2020 240
2021 255

4. The number of deaths of children from sepsis as a result of a kidney or urinary tract infection, pyelonephritis or urinary sepsis.

We cannot provide data has been provided for Question 4 as reason for death requires a full case note review.*

*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.

5. The number of children suffering from PBS (painful bladder syndrome) or IC (interstitial cystitis).

For the years 2014- 2021, for children age 17 and under.

2014 0
2015 0
2016 0
2017 0
2018 0
2019 *
2020 0
2021 *

Please note: Where the figures are between 1 and 5, this has been denoted by *. Due to the low numbers, we have considered that there is the potential for individuals to be identified from the information provided, when considered with other information that may also be in the public domain. In our view disclosure of these low figures would breach one of the Data Protection Principles set out in Schedule 1 of the Data Protection Act, namely Principle 1. The Trust therefore finds that the Section 40(2) exemption contained within the Freedom of information Act 2000 is engaged. (Section 40 is the exemption for personal information).

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
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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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