

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 22-129

29 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 hold some of the information you are requesting

1. What is the name of the hospital the following questions will relate to?

University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust

2. How many acute inpatient beds did this hospital have for 2021?

Beds from December 2021 bed audit = 1090 beds, including 97 critical care.

3. How many emergency (unplanned) admissions did this hospital have under the acute general surgery services in 2021?

Emergency General Surgical Admissions for January - December 2021: 3348

4. How many cases did this hospital submit to the National Emergency Laparotomy Audit (NELA) in 2021?

109

5. Which of the following organisation systems describes how emergency general surgical admissions are organised in this hospital?

a. Mixed general surgical take under a non-specific general surgery consultant

No

b. Daily allocation of acute admissions to a general surgery subspeciality (Upper GI / Colorectal / Hepatobiliary)

Yes - but it is weekly not daily

c. Dedicated Emergency General Surgery consultants / service during weekdays only (Monday to Thursday, or Monday to Friday)

No

d. Dedicated Emergency General Surgery consultants / service weekdays and weekend
No

e. Other (please state)

Not applicable

6. If your hospital runs a dedicated emergency general surgery service (answers c or d above), how many dedicated emergency general surgery consultants form the rota for this service?

Not applicable

7. If this hospital does not already have an emergency general surgery service, does it plan to change it's service to this form in the next 5 years?

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
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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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