

Ref: 22-320

Freedom of Information Request

13 July 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. Which screening tools is used in your hospital to aid early recognition and treatment of sepsis?

We use our own screening tool based on the Sepsis Trust/NICE guidelines.

- 2. Do you have a National Early Warning Score (NEWS2) system at your Hospital for sepsis management? Yes/No Yes.
- **3.** What score would alert your hospital to consider sepsis treatment for patient? A NEWS2 of 5 or more or 3 in 1 parameter for adults.
- **4. What is the morality rate of sepsis at your hospital for 2019, 2020 and 2021?** Please see link to Suspicion of Sepsis (SOS) Insights Dashboard below. This can be filtered by Trust and includes mortality and survival rates.

Suspicion of Sepsis (SOS) Insights Dashboard - (medicinesresources.nhs.uk)

The SOS Insight Dashboard is a tool that will enable hospitals to more accurately measure numbers of patients admitted as emergencies with severe bacterial infection who are at risk of sepsis, as part of efforts to improve sepsis prevention and reduce deaths.

www.medicinesresources.nhs.uk

5. Do you have sepsis information materials (booklets) for patients and their loved ones at your intensive care unit?
Yes/No

Yes.

6. Do you have support service information for victims of sepsis? Yes or No Yes.

7. Do you have information about sepsis on your hospital website? Yes or No.

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:

Data Protection Officer
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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