

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 22-624

9 November 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

Please could you provide me with a list of each of the NHS patients, aged less than 18years, within your trust who have been billed for NHS care during the whole of the financial year of 2020-21, and any from the financial year 2021/22 that you currently have available.

Please do not include the billing of any EEA nationals, or private patients.

If possible, please format the data in an excel spreadsheet and include:

- 1. Year of birth**
- 2. Country of birth**
- 3. Nationality**
- 4. Sex**
- 5. Ethnicity**
- 6. Date of entry into the UK**
- 7. Amount billed**
- 8. Date billed**
- 9. Whether charging was deemed non-urgent, urgent or immediately necessary (if this is evident)**

Please see our response below.

For treatments provided in the financial year 2020-2021, for patients aged under 18, to whom an invoice has been raised under the provisions of the National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) Regulations 2015 as amended								
Year of Birth	Country of Birth	Nationality	Sex	Ethnicity	Date entry to UK	Total amount billed	Date billed	Whether charging was deemed non urgent, urgent or immediately necessary
*	*	*	*	*	*	£222,836.77	*	*

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).

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Year of Birth	Country of Birth	Nationality	Sex	Ethnicity	Date entry to UK	Total amount billed	Date billed	Whether charging was deemed non urgent, urgent or immediately necessary
*	*	*	*	*	*	£73,208.08	*	*

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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:

Data Protection Officer
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

Publication

Please note that this letter and the information included/attached will be published on our website as part of the Trust's Freedom of Information Publication Log. This is because information disclosed in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act is disclosed to the public, not just to the individual making the request. We will remove any personal information

(such as your name, email and so on) from any information we make public to protect your personal information.

To view the Freedom of Information Act in full please click [here](#).

Yours sincerely

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