

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 23-949

29 January 2024

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. In the last 12 months, how many individual patients were treated for biliary tract cancer with the following Diagnosis Codes:

(If possible, could this please be further split to C24.0 Extrahepatic bile duct, C24.8 Overlapping lesion of Biliary Tract, C24.9 Biliary Tract, Unspecified).

Could you please also provide a total unique patient number for all of the diagnosis codes above, in case they have been coded multiple times.

A) C22.1 Intrahepatic Bile Duct Carcinoma

32

B) C23 Malignant Neoplasm of Gallbladder

16

C) C24 Malignant Neoplasm of unspecified biliary tract

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We have not provided the information in the format requested due to the low numbers. We have provided aggregated data as 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).

2. In the last 12 months, how many patients were treated under ICD-10 code 16.0 (malignant neoplasm of cardia of stomach)

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
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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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