

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 24-450

1 July 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 not hold the information you are requesting

1. All records relating to any and all claims of physical, sexual, or psychological abuse of minors and/or patients suffering from blood disorders and cancers made against hospital staff, past or present, in Bristol Royal Hospital for Children from January 1, 2019 to the day this request is fulfilled.

We do not hold this information. We are not aware of any complaints, settlements or legal claims specifically relating to the requested criteria.

2. All records of any behavioral patterns or negligence regarding the care given to minors and/or patients suffering from blood disorders and cancers by hospital staff, past or present, in Bristol Royal Hospital for Children from January 1, 2019 to the day this request is fulfilled.

We do not hold this information. We are not aware of any complaints, settlements or legal claims specifically relating to the requested criteria.

Please be advised the term 'patients' refers only to children below 18 years of age and that this records request includes claims of assault, harassment, and/or molestation.

3. All records regarding any incidents, health hazards, deterioration in health, or in extreme cases, fatalities suffered by minors and/or patients suffering from blood disorders and cancers as a direct consequence, arising from, or relating to the events described in records marked (1) and (2) above.

We do not hold this information. We are not aware of any complaints, settlements or legal claims specifically relating to the requested criteria.

Where it is not possible to disclose these incidents, I ask that you confirm if such incidents did indeed occur and the number of cases recorded.

4. All separation agreements and settlements reached with hospital staff, past or present, relating to claims of physically and/or sexually abusing, assaulting, harrassing, or molesting patients suffering from blood disorders and cancers from January 1, 2019 to the day this request is fulfilled.

We do not hold this information. We are not aware of any complaints, settlements or legal claims specifically relating to the requested criteria.

5. All separation agreements and settlements reached with hospital staff, past or present, on failing in their duty of care or negligence of duties to minors and/or patients suffering from blood disorders and cancers from January 1, 2019 to the day this request is fulfilled.

Such public records should include, but not be limited to, all complaints; allegations; claims; investigatory reports; analyses; summaries; memoranda and/or notes; interview recordings; transcripts and/or notes; reviews; emails, text or other electronic messages, voicemails, and/or other communications and/or correspondence; determinations; decisions; orders; resignation letters; employment reclassification documents; offers in compromise and/or settlement agreements; termination and/or transfer papers; letters of reproof and/or other disciplinary actions, whether imposed or not; referrals to law enforcement, administrative, and/or licensing agencies, departments, and/or bodies; appeals; court filings and/or rulings; and all similar materials notwithstanding the use of other terminology, nomenclature, or categorization by this or other involved public agencies.

We do not hold this information. We are not aware of any complaints, settlements or legal claims specifically relating to the requested criteria.

When fulfilling this request, please exclude emails from mailing lists, which can often be identified by excluding emails with keyword "unsubscribe." If the records office has an alternative method for excluding emails from mailing lists, kindly employ that methodology.

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

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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.

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Yours sincerely

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