

Ref: 25-005

## Freedom of Information Request

28 January 2025

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 may I request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act:

#### 1. Name of Trust:

University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust

# 2. Number of staff employed:

Approximately 14,057

3. How many staff manage FOI requests at your organisation? (This should include managers and administrative staff)

One

4. Please confirm the job titles and banding of these staff?

Freedom of Information and Information Governance Administrator, Band 4

5. Do these staff work only on FOIs?

No

- **6.** If no, please confirm the WTE spent on FOI related work for each member of staff This is not recorded. This is dependent on the needs of the service.
- 7. How many FOI Requests did your origination receive in the following years:
- **a. 2022** 757
- **b. 2023** 970
- **c. 2024** 982
- 8. What was your compliance percentage for those years?

**a. 2022** – 97%

**b. 2023** – 98%

**c. 2024** - 95%

### 9. Please confirm the size of the population you serve?

We are able to obtain this information however we have decided to apply **Section 21** of the FOIA as this information is reasonably accessible in the public domain on the Trust's website on the following link: <u>UHBW NHS - About the University Hospitals</u>. Section 21 of the FOIA provides that we are not obliged to provide the requested information if it is already reasonably accessible and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

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 <a href="here.">here.</a>

Yours sincerely

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