

Ref: 25-101

Freedom of Information Request

21 February 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 provide any trust guidance on pressure care (for the care and prevention of pressure sores, pressure ulcers, or bed sores) issued to administrators and/or hospital staff in the past 24 months.

We have annual essential training (e-learning) on pressure ulcer prevention and management, regular tissue viability study days through the year across the Trust which include training on pressure ulcer prevention and management. The Tissue Viability Connect page in the Intranet also contains lots of educational materials for staff to access also. Please see the attached documents.

- For the following years, please provide the number of patients within the trust treated for bedsores (classified as ICD-10 code L-89), as filed in Datix, Ulysses or other relevant reporting systems:
- o 2022 1031
- **o 2023** 944
- **o 2024** 960

Please note that patients may appear more than once in the above figures if they have had more than one hospital stay or day case episode in each year.

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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Yours sincerely

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