

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 25-203

2 April 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

Trust Name: University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust

1. Trust data

Does the trust have a wound care clinic? Yes ✓

No ☐

If yes, which hospital/s in the trust are these located at?

Bristol Royal Infirmary

Are these clinic specific clinics? Yes ✓

No ☐

If yes, please list. e.g., Diabetic Foot Ulcer (DFU), Burns, acute surgical wounds etc.
Surgical wounds

How many patients are seen for wound care p.a?

Currently very low numbers as this is a new clinic.

How many surgeries does the trust perform p.a?

Year	No. of procedures
2018	50,057
2019	55,424

2020	38,747
2021	46,582
2022	50,324
2023	56,065
2024	59,966
2025	17,958

What are your surgical infection rates p.a?

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 following link: [SSI-surveillance-NHS-trust-tables-April-2022-to-March-2024.ods](#). 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.

Have you completed a recent wound care audit?

A wound care audit is a systematic process that evaluates the effectiveness, efficiency, and compliance of wound care practices and products, focusing on documentation, formulary and protocol accuracy, and adherence to best practices to improve patient outcomes amongst other data.

Yes ☐

No - We do not perform wound care investigations/evaluations in the audit format described.

If yes, please supply the date.

Not applicable

Could this please be attached?

Not applicable

Alternatively, please direct to where this can be found?

Not applicable

Are your wound care pathways publicly available? Yes ☐

No ✓

If yes, could this please be attached

Not applicable

Alternatively, please direct to where this can be found?

Not applicable

2. Health Care Professionals

Wound care HCP Number Permanently Employed Salary Band How many temp/locum district nurses, TVN or HCA's have been employed over the last 12 months.

None

How many district nurses are employed in the trust?

Not applicable – we are an acute Trust, not community setting.

How many Tissue Viability Nurse (TVN) are employed by the trust?

Six

How many community facing Health Care Assistants (HCA) are employed by the trust?

Not applicable – we are an acute Trust, not community setting.

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
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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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