

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 25-585

23 July 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

I am writing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to BBQ-related injuries and accidents presenting at your hospital/trust.

Please could you provide the following for each of the last three calendar years (2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025 to date where available):

Q1. The number of hospital admissions involving BBQ-related injuries.

Q2. The number of emergency department attendances attributed to BBQ-related accidents.

Q3. A breakdown of the types of injuries reported in these cases (e.g. flame burns, contact burns, scalds, smoke inhalation, injuries from tool mishandling etc.).

Q4. A breakdown by age group of the patients treated for BBQ-related injuries.

Q5. If recorded, details of the type of equipment involved (e.g. charcoal BBQs, gas BBQs, disposable BBQs, pizza ovens, etc.).

If it helps and is more efficient for your team, we're happy to accept approximate figures or internal coding categories you may use for injury type or cause. Please do also let us know if you hold this data centrally or whether it's better redirected to individual A&E departments or burns units.

We are unable to provide this information. We do not have an external cause code to assign for BBQ injuries exactly, this would be coded to X15 - contact with hot household appliances, but this could include many items such as cooker, hotplate, kettle, saucepan, toaster etc. This code would follow the specific injury sustained. Please note, the Trust does not hold the data

in a format that would enable us to fully respond to your request to the level of detail required and a manual trawl for this information would significantly exceed the 18 hours limit set down by the FOI as the reasonable limit. Section 12 of the FOIA provides that we are not obliged to spend in excess of 18 hours in any sixty-day period locating, retrieving and identifying information in order to deal with a request for information 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
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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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