

Ref: 25-599

Freedom of Information Request

19 August 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

The number of individuals who should have paid for secondary healthcare, but have not, who were referred to the Home Office, broken down by year for 2018 - 2024.

We do not report Overseas Visitors debts directly to the Home Office.

We report the debts to the Department of Health and Social Care who in turn report such to the Home Office.

We only report debts which satisfy the reporting requirements in force at the time.

We do not hold historical data for the financial year 2018-19 thus the figures provided for 2019 exclude January, February and March .

2019: 187 2020: 45 2021: 47 2022: 26 2023: 22 2024: 38

Please set out the current total outstanding balance due to your trust by debtors who have not paid for secondary healthcare.

£1,262,256.47

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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