

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB10/142

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am able to provide the following response to your questions:

Can you please provide figures showing the number of people having 1, 2, 3, etc visits or treatments and how many prescriptions are issued per person.

Homeopathy	Month	Apr-09	May-09	Jun-09	Jul-09	Aug-09	Sep-09	Oct-09
	Plan	318	303	350	365	318	350	350
	Actual	293	264	418	380	257	424	410
	Variance	-25	-39	68	15	-61	74	60
	Month	Nov-09	Dec-09	Jan-10	Feb-10	Mar-10		YtD
	Plan	334	303	318	318	365		3992
	Actual	329	341	334	368	475		4293
	Variance	-5	38	16	50	110		301

Of the table above that shows there were 4294 appointments the breakdown for the patients visits are below.

No. of Attends	No. of Patients
1	713
2	702
3	478
4	163
5	18

(713 patients attended once in the time period, 702 patients attended twice etc.)

We are unable to answer the part of your question that relates to prescriptions as we do not record our information in a way that would allow us to extract the data you require.

Can you also give details of the cost per person and the total running costs of the hospital?

The total running costs of the Homeopathic hospital is £569,843. The cost per person is £133. The unit cost is Outpatient Attendance (new and follow up combined).

If 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:

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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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