University Hospitals Bristol NHS

NHS Foundation Trust

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB 17-504

Date 12 September 2017



Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trusts response is as follows:

- 1. On how many occasions have your emergency departments been closed to new admissions during financial years 2010/2011, 2014/15, 2015/16 and 2016/17?
- 2. For each emergency department closure, please state the duration of and the reason for the closure.
- 3. For each emergency department closure, please also state the number of patients which were diverted elsewhere as a result of the department closing.

We do not hold this information as the Trust only records when wards/departments are completely shut (e.g. for repairs) but not when they are closed to new admissions; therefore we are unable to answer 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:

Trust Secretary University Hospitals Bristol 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,

