University Hospitals Bristol NHS

NHS Foundation Trust

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB 17-540

Date 7 September 2017



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

We would be grateful if you could provide us with the following information from your children's burn services:

- 1. How many burn injuries you have treated that were attributed to electroniccigarettes. This would include burn injuries caused by the electronic-cigarettes themselves, their batteries or their chargers.
- 2. How many burn injuries you have treated that were attributed to mobile phones. This would include burns caused by the phones themselves, their batteries or their chargers.
- 3. How many burn injuries you have treated that were attributed to cigarettes or smoker's materials.

Can you please provide me with the information for the following calendar years: 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 to date? If data for all years is not available, please supply the information you have.

We do not hold this information as the Trust does not currently record the causes of burns on any of its systems. To obtain this information would require a manual trawl through patient notes which 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:

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

To view the Freedom of Information Act in full please click here.

Yours sincerely,

