

Freedom of Information Request**Ref: UHB 17-563**

Date 10 October 2017

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

- 1) Please state the number allegations of theft of hospital drugs by staff members that have been investigated by the trust in each of the last three financial years (2014-15, 2015- 2016, 2016-2017)?**

We do hold this information however we will not be disclosing the data as there are fewer than five individuals. Where numbers are *fewer than five* we have considered that there is the potential for the individuals to be identified from the information provided, when considered with other information that may also be in the public domain. In our view disclosure of these low figures would breach one of the Data Protection Principles set out in Schedule 1 of the Data Protection Act, namely Principle 1. Please therefore find that the Section 40(2) exemption contained within the Freedom of information Act 2000 is engaged. Section 40 is the exemption for personal information

- 2) Please state the quantity and types drugs alleged to have been taken in these incidents, in each of the last three financial years.**

We do hold the requested information however we will not be disclosing this information at this time. Please see response to question one.

- 3) Please state the estimated financial value of drugs taken for each of the last three financial years.**

We do hold the requested information however we will not be disclosing this information at this time. Please see response to question one.

- 4) Please state the number of occasions disciplinary action taken for drug theft, providing a breakdown of the number of occasions each kind of disciplinary action was taken in each of the last three financial years.**

We do hold the requested information however we will not be disclosing this information at this time. Please see response to question one.

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,

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