

Ref: UHB 17-707

Freedom of Information Request

Date 12 January 2018

By Email

Dear Sir

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

1. How many patients died within hospital while awaiting the start of a NHS Continuing Healthcare care and support package in the financial years 2016/17, 2015/16 and 2014/15? Please could I have this information broken down by financial year?

2014/15	2015/16	2016/2017
**	12	12

Where the figures are fewer than 5, this has been denoted by **. Where numbers are low 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. Therefore under **Section 40(2)** of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we will not be disclosing this information at this time. Section 40 is the exemption for personal information.

2. How many patients in the last four financial years have waited more than a) one week b) one month to receive a care and support package after being found eligible for NHS Continuing Healthcare? Please could I have this information broken down by financial year for the years 2016/17, 2015/16 and 2014/15?

The Trust does not hold this information. Please contact local CCGs to obtain this data.

3. What was the longest wait between a patient being found eligible for NHS Continuing Healthcare and receiving a care and support package in the financial years 2016/17, 2015/16 and 2014/15? Please could I have this information broken down by financial year?

The Trust does not hold this information. Please contact local CCGs to obtain this data

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
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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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Yours sincerely,