

Freedom of Information Request**Ref: UHB 17-587**

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:

Please could you confirm the following?

- 1) If the Trust currently, or have previously, assigned additional hospital beds for respiratory admissions over winter months?**

The Trust does not/ has not previously directly assigned additional hospital beds for respiratory admissions over the winter months however respiratory physicians do have a rota to cover all outliers including respiratory outliers. We can also confirm that respiratory medicine has taken on an 18 bedded ward, for this year.

- 2) It the Trust has made any changes to its pathway for respiratory admissions in the last five years?**

We can confirm the Trust has made considerable changes to the pathway aiming at respiratory clinicians seeing respiratory patients early and attempting to focus inpatient care in respiratory wards. We have also increased the capacity of high care beds.

In each area of respiratory medicine there are changes to reflect changes in interventions.

- 3) What percentage of patients with a primary diagnosis of COPD, admitted for an exacerbation of COPD, received specialist input in to their care within 24 hours of admission in each month of 2016 and each available month of 2017?**

Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17
84%	70%	38%	69%	77%	77%	84%	86%

- 4) What percentage of patients with a primary diagnosis of COPD, admitted for an exacerbation of COPD, received a discharge bundle prior to discharge in each month of 2016 and each available month of 2017?**

Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17
64%	81%	33%	54%	45%	56%	73%	71%

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,

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