

Ref: UHB 18-134

NHS Foundation Trust

Freedom of Information Request

Date 6 March 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:

This is a Request for Information in regards to a Commonwealth Scholar namely Dr. Shruti Khatana (CSC Reference Number: INCS-2014-176, Nominating Country: India) who completed her scholarship at the Dentistry and Oral and Maxillo-Facial Surgery (Head and Neck Cancer) department at the University Hospitals Bristol during the period from Mar 2015 till Aug/Sep 2015. It is requested that the following information may please be made available via email regarding the above-mentioned Scholar as it involves expenditure of public money:

- 1) The normal duty hours and work days of the Scholar and the duty roster that she was asked to follow during the said period.
- 2) The periods of the Scholar's absence from the Hospital's duties on account of Vacations / Leaves taken / Illness etc.
- 3) Whether the said Scholar ever displayed any symptoms of depression/ anxiety/worrisomeness due to which the Scholar was given offtime/leave? If so kindly enumerate such instances and provide details as to how much rest / offtime was given to her on each occasion.
- 4) Was the Scholar ever given any warnings / advisories / punishments etc. during her association with the UHBristol?
- 5) Whether the Scholar was ever observed to be under influence of alcohol or any other narcotic substances while with the UHBristol?

We are unable to provide the requested information as it relates to an individual's personal information. In our view disclosure of this information 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.

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,