

Freedom of Information Request**Ref: UHB 18-080**

Date 3 April 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. What was the total spend on outsourcing plain film reporting services in 2015?**
£10.00
- 2. What was the total spend on outsourcing plain film reporting services in 2016?**
£60.00
- 3. What was the total spend on outsourcing plain film reporting services in 2017?**
£0.00
- 4. What was the total number of plain film reports completed, from all referral sources (e.g. GP, Accident and Emergency, In Patients, Out Patients), by the Trust in 2015?**
152, 988
- 5. What was the total number of plain film reports completed, from all referral sources (e.g. GP, Accident and Emergency, In Patients, Out Patients), by the Trust in 2016?**
164, 118
- 6. What was the total number of plain film reports completed, from all referral sources (e.g. GP, Accident and Emergency, In Patients, Out Patients), by the Trust in 2017?**
167, 580
- 7. What was the total number of plain film examinations that were outsourced (therefore reported by an external company) in 2015?**
2
- 8. What was the total number of plain film examinations that were outsourced (therefore reported by an external company) in 2016?** 12

- 9. What was the total number of plain film examinations that were outsourced (therefore reported by an external company) in 2017?**
0
- 10. What was the total number of CT and/or MRI reports completed by the Trust in 2015?**
56, 933
- 11. What was the total number of CT and/or MRI reports completed by the Trust in 2016**
59, 509
- 12. What was the total spend on outsourcing CT and/or MRI reporting services in 2017?**
£230, 914.00.
- 13. What was the total number of CT and/or MRI examinations that were outsourced (therefore reported by an external company) in 2015?**
NB: The outsource reporting company did not undertake the imaging – just the report:
2901
- 14. What was the total number of CT and/or MRI examinations that were outsourced (therefore reported by an external company) in 2016?**
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3726
- 15. What was the total number of CT and/or MRI examinations that were outsourced (therefore reported by an external company) in 2017?**
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3806
- 16. What was the total spend on outsourcing CT and/or MRI reporting services in 2015?**
£166, 916.50
- 17. What was the total spend on outsourcing CT and/or MRI reporting services in 2016?**
£222, 023.50
- 18. What was the total spend on outsourcing CT and/or MRI reporting services in 2017?**
£230, 914.00

19. What was the average settlement paid to a patient in regards to a malpractice or clinical negligence claim for a misdiagnosed plain film report in 2017?

The University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust reports all clinical negligence claims received by the Trust to the NHS Litigation Resolution (NHSR) to deal with on our behalf. There is no direct cost to the Trust in respect of individual claims. The Trust pays an annual contribution to the NHSR who then pays all damages and costs. Detailed information regarding the number of claims and payments made is contained within annual factsheets on the NHSLA's website:

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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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