

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB 17-406

Date 25 July 2017



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

- 1. How many bed days were lost in financial year 2016/17 whilst undertaking effective decontamination (Hydrogen Peroxide vaporising/fogging/UV):**
 - a. following discharge/transfer of patient/s with known/suspected infections e.g. Cdiff/ Multi drug infections (i.e proactive)**
 - b. Following an outbreak of infection**

The Trust is unable to break down lost bed days into the 2 categories requested, being (a) following discharge/transfer of patients with known/suspected infections and (b) following an outbreak of infection.

We are able to confirm however, that 224 days in total were lost during 16/17 at UH Bristol due to closure of bays/wards due to patients having symptoms of diarrhoea and vomiting, as per Trust policy.

- 2. Make and number of hydrogen peroxide vaporising fogging machines currently in use:**

Nocospray Oxypharm – There are currently 9 hydrogen peroxide vaporising fogging machines in use.
- 3. Make and number of ultraviolet machines currently in use:**

There are currently zero ultraviolet machines in use.
- 4. Make and number of “other” (please state) types of decontamination machines currently in use**

There are currently no other types of decontamination machines in use.
- 5. Is decontamination undertaken internally or through a managed service? If a managed service, please state which company.**

In house

6. If applicable, please specify the length of down time post room decontamination following hydrogen peroxide vaporising fogging for:

single side rooms	20 minutes
4 bedded rooms	20 minutes

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,

