

Freedom of Information Request**Ref: UHB 18-234**

Date 31 May 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:

I would like to make a FOI request to learn the average length of stay for both elective and non-elective patients, and a snapshot of patients on your RTT waiting list for over 26 weeks, as well as the monthly number of paediatric leukaemia patients during 2017/18 financial year:

Please see table below. 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

	2017									2018		
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Please provide your average Length of Stay for each month in 2017 – ELECTIVE	4.38	4.61	4.09	3.95	4.22	4.11	3.90	4.05	4.09	4.45	4.50	3.79
Please provide your average Length of Stay for each month in 2017 – NON ELECTIVE	2.62	3.03	2.92	2.82	3.56	3.07	2.90	3.25	2.64	2.91	2.47	2.61
Please provide a snapshot of your patients waiting on your RTT waiting list over 26 weeks for each month in 2017	This information is available on NHS England Statistics page as the Trust submits this data each month to NHS Digital. Section 21 of the FOIA provides that we are not obliged to provide the requested information is already reasonably accessible and therefore we are withholding this information at this time. Please see the following link for more information: https://digital.nhs.uk/											
Please provide number of paediatric leukaemia patients your hospital saw in 2017 by each month *	8	6	6	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	5

* refers to the number of patients treated

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,

FOI Administrator