

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB 18-275

Date 21 June 2018

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

- 1. The number of overseas visitors, migrants and former UK residents who have been charged upfront for healthcare treatment by the Trust since October 2017 (excluding private patients using paid-for services offered by the Trust)**

Where numbers are fewer than five 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

- 2. The total costs charged for the treatments referred to in question 1**

Approximately £13,000.

- 3. The number of overseas visitors, migrants and former UK residents who have been refused healthcare treatment by the Trust since October 2017 because they did not pay upfront charges that were imposed (excluding private patients using paid-for services offered by the Trust)**

We do not hold this information

- 4. Any data the Trust holds on the reasons for the refusal/inability of the patients referred in response to question 3 to pay the imposed upfront charges**

We do not hold this information.

5. Any data the Trust holds on the conditions the patients referred to in response to question 3 wished to be treated for, or alternatively the treatments that were subject to the imposed charges (these may be grouped into over-arching categories for data protection reasons)

We do not hold this 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
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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

To view the Freedom of Information Act in full please click [here](#).

Yours sincerely,

FOI Administrator