

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB 20-043

4 February 2020

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

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

1. What percentage of patients with suspected sepsis were treated with antibiotics within one hour in a) 2019 and b) 2018?

Based on nationally mandated small sample audits combining adult patients and children screened as requiring antibiotic for suspected sepsis either on admission to ED or as an inpatient:

Financial year 2018/19: 86%

Financial year 2019/20 to date (quarters 1-3): 92%

2. Please provide the above figure as a raw number – what was the total number of patients with suspected sepsis who were treated with antibiotics within one hour in a) 2019 and b) 2018?

Based on nationally mandated small sample audits combining data for adult patients and children screened as requiring antibiotics for suspected sepsis either on admission to ED or as an inpatient:

Financial year 2018/19: 293 patients.

Financial year 2019/20 to date (quarters 1-3): 99 patients.

3. What was the total number of patients with suspected sepsis who waited longer than an hour for antibiotics in a) 2019 and b) 2018?

The Trust does not hold this information.

4. If possible, please state the longest delay for a patient with suspected sepsis before receiving antibiotics in a) 2019 and b) 2018?

The Trust does 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:

Director of Corporate Governance
University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust
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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

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