

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB 20-070

24 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. Do you have any 'straight-to-test pathways' for suspected cancer referrals and if so what specialities do these apply to, eg, gastroenterology?

Yes the Trust has a 'straight-to-test' pathway for endoscopy (from upper and lower GI surgery fast track) and radiology (upper and lower GI surgery and HPB fast track). This is for adult patients only.

2. By year, how many patients have been assessed via a straight-to-test pathway over the past three years (or the years within that period the system has been in place)?

Year	No. of patients
July 2018 - December 2018	530
2019	1,115
January 2020	117

3. What proportion of these patients were discharged back to the GP after tests?

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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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

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