

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB 19-573

22 October 2019

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:

This FOI is about the number of Changing Places in your hospital. If you are unaware of what a Changing Place is I've included a summary below and a link you may find useful.

Changing Places toilets have adult changing bench and hoist facilities as well as extra space for carers. This provides a safe toileting environment for physically disabled people who are non-ambulant, as well as for those with learning disabilities who may need carer support. The equipment provided also ensures that manual moving and handling techniques are minimised for any carers involved.

Over 250,000 severely disabled people, including those with profound and multiple learning disabilities in the UK, cannot use standard accessible toilets.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/changing-places-toilets-in-nhs-hospitals-apply-for-funding>

Please can you answer the following questions:

1. What is the name of your NHS trust?

University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust.

2. Please can you name all of the NHS hospitals that come under your trust.

Bristol Royal Infirmary
Bristol Heart Institute
Bristol Haematology and Oncology Centre
Bristol Royal Hospital for Children
Bristol Eye Hospital
St Michael's Hospital
University Bristol Dental Hospital
South Bristol Community Hospital

Bristol Sexual Health Centre
Central Health Clinic

3. Please can you outline how many of the hospitals in Q2 have Changing Places toilets. Please break this down by the name of the hospital and how many Changing Places facilities are in that hospital.

Bristol Royal Hospital for Children.
Bristol Royal Infirmary.
South Bristol Community Hospital.

4. Of the hospitals in Q3 that have Changing Places, please can you tell me where the facility is located in the hospital. e.g Department/Floor.

Bristol Royal Hospital for Children: one Changing Places toilet (Level 5).
Bristol Royal Infirmary (Queen's Building): one Changing Places toilet (Level 2, in the Welcome Centre).
South Bristol Community Hospital: Outpatient reception area.

5. Please can you tell me if your NHS Trust has applied for funding to install Changing Places facilities within your NHS hospitals. If known please provide information on which hospitals you plan to install them in.

The Trust plans to apply for funding for a new Changing Places toilet to serve Carousel Outpatients and the Children's Emergency Department on Level 3 of the Children's Hospital.

The existing Changing Places toilets have not received any external funding.

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

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Yours sincerely

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