Freedom of Information Request - FOI2024/023

10 May 2024

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request.

Please could you provide me with the following information under the Freedom of Information Act.

- 1. How many patients received a urinary catheter in each of the following calendar years:
- 2023
- 2022
- 2021
- 2. How many Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infections were recorded in each of the following calendar years:
- 2023
- 2022
- 2021
- 3. How many urinary tract infections were recorded in each of the following calendar years:
- 2023
- 2022
- 2021
- 4. What was the total cost of urinary tract infections in each of the following calendar years:
- 2023
- 2022
- 2021
- 5. How many prescriptions were dispensed in relation to Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infections in each of the following calendar years:
- 2023
- 2022
- 2021
- 6. How many patients received antibiotics in relation to Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infections in each of the following calendar years:
- 2023
- 2022
- 2021
- 7. How many patients received two or more antibiotics in relation to a single Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infections in each of the following calendar years:
- 2023
- 2022



I have considered your request and have set out the Trust's response below:

1.

2023 - 340

2022 - 353

2021 - 312

2.

2023 - 43

2022 - 59

2021 - 69

3.

2023 - 823

2022 - 815

2021 - 906

4.

2023 - £4,845,668

2022 - £4,401,456

2021 - £4,189,015

5-7.

The information that you have requested is not held in a form that would enable it to be located, retrieved and extracted within the appropriate time limit that equates to 18 hours as defined by the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limits and Fees) Regulations 2004.

Our system can't tie prescriptions/drugs to specific patients or conditions, so to collect this data we would need to search individual records. This would take approx. 15mins per record to check and pull information per patient. Base on the figures in question 2, this would be 171 patients to check.

Based on 171 patients needing to be searched, and the search taking approximately 15mins, this would take approximately 43 hours to complete. Where the appropriate limit is exceeded the Trust is not required to supply the information as per Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

As per our section 16 duty to provide advice, we are unable to say how to reduce this timeframe. We can provide figures for the other questions that we can answer within the timeframe.

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Officer