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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019 (received into our office 18<sup>th</sup> July) requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding NHS charges for expat Brits.

As of 1<sup>st</sup> November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

**Q1 Can you please tell me for the years 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19?**

**1) How many British citizens have been denied non-emergency medical treatment by your Trust due to their having resident status in a non-EEA country?**

A1 Please see below:

- 2016/17 Nil
- 2017/18 Nil
- 2018/19 Nil

**Q2 How many British citizens have been charged for non-emergency medical treatment by your Trust due to their having resident status in a non-EEA country?**

**Please state how many of these were**

- a) Under 13,**
- b) 13-18 years old**
- c) Retirement age 64+**

A2 Information not held as Citizenship is not recorded by the Trust

**Q3 What was the total amount charged in each of the three financial years to British citizens with resident status in a non-EEA country?**

A3 As answer 2

**Q4 For the year 2018-19, please tell me the five biggest invoices sent to British citizens with resident status in a non-EEA country, and the service provided which incurred that cost - e.g. £10,000 - coronary bypass.**

A4 As answer 2

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

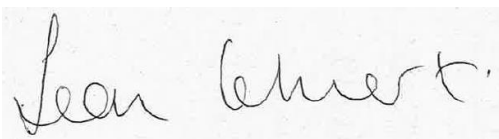
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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours,



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