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Date: 19th November 2024

Dear Sir/ Madam

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 10th October 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding pressure sores

- Q1 I want to submit a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please could you provide the following information for your Trust for the financial years 2022-23 and 2023-24:
 - The total number of patients who developed pressure sores (also known as bed sores or pressure ulcers) during their stay.
 - This figure as a percentage of all patients admitted to beds at the Trust.

Please note:

- If the data cannot be provided for all patients admitted to beds, please provide any available data on bed sore incidence in hospital inpatients.
- If some of the requested data is unavailable or cannot be provided in the specified format, I am happy to receive partial data or guidance on refining my request.
- I would also appreciate the data in Excel or CSV format if possible.
- A1 The table below details the monthly number of Deep Tissue Injuries and Category 2, 3, 4 and Unstageable Pressure Ulcers reported as developing under the care of UHNM. Also shown is the percentage of pressure ulcers reported per patient admitted. NB some patients have more than one pressure ulcer reported during their admission.

		PU per
Month	PU	admission
Apr-22	98	0.59%
May-22	58	0.31%
Jun-22	50	0.27%
Jul-22	42	0.23%
Aug-22	55	0.30%
Sep-22	65	0.36%
Oct-22	98	0.53%
Nov-22	65	0.33%







		PU per
Month	PU	admission
Dec-22	98	0.54%
Jan-23	88	0.45%
Feb-23	61	0.34%
Mar-23	91	0.44%
Apr-23	75	0.42%
May-23	56	0.28%
Jun-23	62	0.31%
Jul-23	64	0.32%
Aug-23	57	0.28%
Sep-23	61	0.31%
Oct-23	89	0.43%
Nov-23	86	0.41%
Dec-23	66	0.34%
Jan-24	92	0.42%
Feb-24	72	0.35%
Mar-24	51	0.24%

*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.

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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.

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Yours,

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