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Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 19th April 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding inpatient care statistics

On 20th April 2023 we contacted you via email as we require clarification on what are we counting as you refer to “cases” then in another sentence use “finished consultant episodes”.

{ using NHS terminology an inpatient spell is can be made up of many finished consultant episodes, so let’s say a spell has 3 finished consultant episodes, using this example when we are counting the “number of cases” is it the number of spells or the number of finished consultant episodes within a spell so this would be 3? And the clinical coding question is based on the 3 finished consultant episodes within the spell example?}

On the same day you replied via email with:

‘Thank you for replying to my FOI request. I am happy to assist with further clarification of my request and I apologise for the confusion.

Please can my clinical coding questions be based on the number of finished consultant episodes.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.’

As of 1st 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 I hope you can help me by providing the following data regarding admitted inpatient care statistics from the University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust. I am requesting data for the number of cases (finished consultant episodes) comprising both, inpatient admissions and day cases (including Maternity and Adult Critical Care where applicable) for each hospital in your Trust.

Please note this data should be supplied for each individual hospital and not amalgamated at Trust level.

Please supply this data by year for the past 5 years (preferably in calendar years rather than financial years 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018).

Please format the data as follows:



Hospital name and its Postcode, Year, all ICD 10 codes from A-Q inclusive (primary diagnosis codes, one primary diagnosis per finished consultant episode) each listed individually to 4 characters (letter followed by 3 numbers) with its corresponding number of cases.

A1 Refer to the attached spread sheet and letter head

Q2 Hospital name and its Postcode, Year, all OPCS codes (main operation and procedure codes) each listed individually to 4 characters (letter followed by 3 numbers) with its corresponding number of cases.

In case of zero cases corresponding lines for ICD 10 and OPCS codes can be omitted.

A2 Refer to the attached spread sheet and letter head

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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.

Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via www.ico.org.uk.

If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.

Yours,



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