

Information Governance

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Dear

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

You asked:

I would like to submit the following FOI request.

1. Please list the number of people between 2011 and 2018 to have died in your hospitals after being placed on end-of-life care which resulted in a DNAR order being introduced. Please break down the figures year by year.

A DNACPR order is not introduced as a result of someone "being placed on end of life care". A DNACPR decision is made separately to the diagnosis of dying: and each involves different decision making and assessment.

Please see attached the DNAPR patient information leaflet.

2. Please list the number of DNAR orders issued by your hospitals each year between 2011 and 2018. Please break down the figures year by year.

The Trust is unable to provide this data as it is not recorded centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. As case notes are for the care and treatment for patients we do not ask staff to search them in order to respond to Freedom of Information requests.

3. Please list the number of complaints your hospitals have received over the introduction of DNAR orders between 2011 and 2018. Please break down the figures year by year. Please provide as much detail as possible on what was being complained about.

Please see the attached information.

I trust that this information is helpful to you, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 488271. If we do not hear from you within 28 days we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Foster Chief Executive

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If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF