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Dear Sir/Madam,

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

You asked:

Please can I request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act:

1) In the financial year 2018-19, how many patients presented at your A&E departments (to include major A&E departments, minor injuries units and walk-in centres) with dental health problems? 391

Of these:

a) Of the patients presenting with dental health problems, how many received treatment at the hospital during that visit? 99 patients
had investigations carried out – treatment data is not recorded centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. We do not interrogate patient records to respond to Freedom of information requests

b) Of the patients presenting with dental health problems, can the numbers please be broken down by type of problem e.g. toothache, loss of teeth, bleeding from the mouth. We do not record information to this level of granularity.

c) Of the patients presenting with dental health problems, can the numbers please be broken down by age of the patient e.g. 0-9, 10-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70-79, 80-89, 90+

Age 0 - 9	Age 10 - 19	Age 20 - 29	Age 30 - 39	Age 40 - 49	Age 50 - 59	Age 60 - 69	Age 70-79	Age 80-89	Age 90+
38	31	126	74	47	38	17	16	4	0

d) Of the patients presenting with dental health problems, how many were not registered with an NHS dentist?

The Trust does not record this information centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. We do not interrogate patient records to respond to Freedom of Information requests.

2) Can we please get the figures above, but for the following financial years (separately):

2014-15 – Data only available from March 2015 due to systems change.

1. 79

a) 15 Patients had investigations done - treatment data is not recorded centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. We do not interrogate patient records to respond to Freedom of information requests

b) We do not record information to this level of granularity.

c)

Age 0 - 9	Age 10 - 19	Age 20 - 29	Age 30 - 39	Age 40 - 49	Age 50 - 59	Age 60 - 69	Age 70-79	Age 80-89	Age 90+
6	2	35	14	13	6	2	0	1	0

d) The Trust does not record this information centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. We do not interrogate patient records to respond to Freedom of Information requests.

2015-16

1. 349

a) 64 Patients had investigations done - treatment data is not recorded centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. We do not interrogate patient records to respond to Freedom of information requests.

b) We do not record information to this level of granularity.

c)

Age 0 - 9	Age 10 - 19	Age 20 - 29	Age 30 - 39	Age 40 - 49	Age 50 - 59	Age 60 - 69	Age 70-79	Age 80-89	Age 90+
21	27	115	70	60	27	14	14	1	0

d) The Trust does not record this information centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. We do not interrogate patient records to respond to Freedom of Information requests.

2016-17

1. 267

a) 70 Patients had investigations done - treatment data is not recorded centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. We do not interrogate patient records to respond to Freedom of information requests.

b) We do not record information to this level of granularity.

c)

Age 0 - 9	Age 10 - 19	Age 20 - 29	Age 30 - 39	Age 40 - 49	Age 50 - 59	Age 60 - 69	Age 70-79	Age 80-89	Age 90+
24	29	82	63	34	16	7	10	2	0

d) The Trust does not record this information centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. We do not interrogate patient records to respond to Freedom of Information requests.

2017-18

1. 265

a) 76 Patients had investigations done - treatment data is not recorded centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. We do not interrogate patient records to respond to Freedom of information requests.

b) We do not record information to this level of granularity.

c)

Age 0 - 9	Age 10 - 19	Age 20 - 29	Age 30 - 39	Age 40 - 49	Age 50 - 59	Age 60 - 69	Age 70-79	Age 80-89	Age 90+
30	23	77	57	31	22	11	8	6	0

d) The Trust does not record this information centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. We do not interrogate patient records to respond to Freedom of Information requests.

2019-20 to Jan 1st 2020.

1. 697

a) 107 Patients had investigations done - treatment data is not recorded centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. We do not interrogate patient records to respond to Freedom of information requests.

b) We do not record information to this level of granularity.

c)

Age 0 - 9	Age 10 - 19	Age 20 - 29	Age 30 - 39	Age 40 - 49	Age 50 - 59	Age 60 - 69	Age 70-79	Age 80-89	Age 90+
66	64	165	140	104	80	42	24	10	2

d) The Trust does not record this information centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. We do not interrogate patient records to respond to Freedom of Information requests.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Fleming', with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Mary Fleming
Chief Operating Officer

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