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12<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Dear

**INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000**

We are now pleased to respond to your request for information under the FOI Act.

You asked:

I need the following information from your Trust, from January 1<sup>st</sup> 2014 to 31st December 2017:

1. The total number of ostomy/stoma patients on your records?
2. The numerical break-down of colostomy/ileostomy/urostomies patients on your records?
3. The number of patients with two types of ostomy?
4. How many colostomies, ileostomies and urostomies are formed resulting from Cancer, and if possible which cancers are responsible for the ostomy/stoma formation?
5. The condition responsible for urostomy formation, if not Cancer?
6. The total number of stomas that are formed due to Crohn's Disease?
7. The total number of stomas that are formed due to Colitis?
8. The total number of stomas that are formed due to Diverticulitis?
9. The total number of stomas that are formed due to IBD?
10. The total percentage of reversible/reversed ostomies/stomas?
11. The percentage of permanent ostomies/stomas?
12. The ages of patients with ostomies/stomas?

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.

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 blue ink, appearing to read 'Rob Forster', with a stylized, cursive script.

Rob Forster  
Deputy Chief Executive/Director of Finance & Informatics

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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