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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:

***How many cases of norovirus have been reported at the hospital in the years 2013, 2014 and 2015 and first six months of 2016 at each of the trust's sites?***

2013	0 RAEI positive cases
2014	9 RAEI positive cases
2015	7 RAEI positive cases
2016 (first 6 months)	2 RAEI positive cases

***How many were there in total in for the winter period in the same years at each of the trust's sites?***

*All winter outbreaks and only affected RAEI. No other sites were affected.*

2013	0 RAEI positive cases
2014	9 RAEI positive cases
2015	7 RAEI positive cases
2016 (first 6 months)	2 RAEI positive cases

***How many times has the trust had to close a ward because of norovirus at each of the trust's sites in the same period?***

*10 times all at RAEI.*

***Which ward has been closed most regularly as a result of norovirus in the same periods?***

*Aspull Ward (acute orthopaedic) - RAEI*

Chairman: Robert Armstrong  
Chief Executive: Andrew Foster CBE

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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