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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:

I write under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information on children ward closures across your hospitals.

- 1. On how many occasions have your children's wards been closed to new admissions during financial years 2010/2011, 2014/15, 2015/16 and 2016/17?*
- 2. For each children's ward closure, please state the duration of and the reason for the closure.*
- 3. For each children's ward closure, please also state the number of patients which were diverted elsewhere as a result of the ward closing.*

For my queries I attach an Excel document with a table for ease of inputting the data. I would be most grateful if you would please use it should you find that format helpful.

The ward has not been closed to admissions.

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 'Andrew Foster', written in a cursive style.

Andrew Foster
Chief Executive

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