NHS Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals

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Response Due: 8th March 2023

Date: 7th March 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

I am writing to make a request for information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

For the 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial year (up to January 31), please would you tell me:

The TOTAL number of patients who discharged themselves from hospitals.

Additionally, I wish this information to be broken down for EACH financial year and provided in a spreadsheet format.

Discharged with Method - Self Discharge	
Year	Count
2019/20	684
2020/21	749
2021/22	770
2022/23 (Apr to Jan)	578
Total	2781

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on email address provided. 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,

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Richard Mundon Director of Strategy and Planning

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 1113