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Date Received: 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Response Due: 1<sup>st</sup> August 2025

Date: 29<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold part of the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

**I am requesting this information under the Freedom of Information Act.**

- 1. How many hospital admissions in the past five years had the recorded reason for attendance of 'food poisoning'?**  
492.

**Please provide figures for the financial years 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24 and 2024/25.**

2020/21 = 85.

2021/22 = 115.

2022/23 = 93.

2023/24 = 98.

2024/25 = 101.

**Note: If it is not possible to provide a response for 'food poisoning' specifically, please include all admission codes under which a food poisoning-related admission could be logged.**

The above information has been provided based on the below codes:

- Salmonella (A01 & A02)
- E. coli (A04.0; A04.1; A04.3; A04.4)
- Campylobacter (A04.5)
- Food poisoning (A05.-)
- Toxic effect of noxious substances eaten as seafood (T61)
- Toxic effect of other noxious substances eaten as food. (T62)

**2. How many reported admissions in total involved the following?:**

**a. Salmonella = 47.**

2020/21 = 4.  
2021/22 = 8.  
2022/23 = 20.  
2023/24 = 7.  
2024/25 = 8.

**b. E.Coli = 33.**

2020/21 = 5.  
2021/22 = 5.  
2022/23 = 5.  
2023/24 = 8.  
2024/25 = 10.

**c. Campylobacter = 403.**

2020/21 = 73.  
2021/22 = 99.  
2022/23 = 68.  
2023/24 = 83.  
2024/25 = 80.

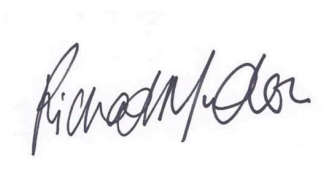
**For 2a, 2b and 2c, please also provide a breakdown by financial year (same years as in Q1)**

**3. If possible, please provide a breakdown of the foodstuffs stated as the cause of the illness.**

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 of patients, we do not request staff to interrogate them in order to collate the information required to respond to Freedom of Information requests.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



Richard Mundon  
Deputy Chief Executive

PLEASE NOTE:

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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 at:

The Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
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