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Date Received: 18th July 2025

Response Due: 15th August 2025

Date: 8th August 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 18th 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 writing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to BBQ-related injuries and accidents presenting at your hospital/trust.

Please could you provide the following for each of the last three calendar years (2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025 to date where available):

1. The number of hospital admissions involving BBQ-related injuries.

The Trust does not have specific coding for "BBQ-related injuries" therefore this information is not centrally recorded, 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.

2. The number of emergency department attendances attributed to BBQ-related accidents.

Between 2022 – 2025 there were zero patients who presented to the Emergency Department with a presenting complaint of "BBQ".

3. A breakdown of the types of injuries reported in these cases (e.g. flame burns, contact burns, scalds, smoke inhalation, injuries from tool mishandling etc.).

Please see the above responses to Question 1 and Question 2.

4. A breakdown by age group of the patients treated for BBQ-related injuries.

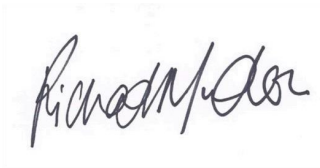
Please see the above responses to Question 1 and Question 2.

5. If recorded, details of the type of equipment involved (e.g. charcoal BBQs, gas BBQs, disposable BBQs, pizza ovens, etc.).

Please see the above responses to Question 1 and Question 2.

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,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Richard Mundon', is enclosed within a thin black rectangular border.

Richard Mundon
Deputy Chief Executive

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
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Helpline number: 0303 123 111