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Dear

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

You asked:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information.

- 1. For each calendar year over the last five years, what was the NHS Foundation's budget to be spent on food for its patients?
- 2. For each calendar year over the last five years, how much money has the NHS Foundation spent on food for its patients?
- 3. For each calendar year over the last five years, how many meals has the NHS Foundation provided for its patients?

The information for the first 3 questions is available through the NHS ERIC returns (link below) which all Trusts have to complete each year, however these are financial year not calendar which is not captured.

https://data.gov.uk/dataset/5679296c-88fc-469d-b078-b04744f66e34/eric-estatesreturn-information-collection-trust-level

4. Does the NHS Foundation currently have on its menu, food options which are suitable for vegans, vegetarians, and people with coeliac disease?

Yes food options are made available for any patients who have any specific dietary requirements, these include: Vegetarian, Vegan, Coeliac, Halal, Kosher, Allergen Free, modified Texture etc. the list is not exhaustive the Catering Department have trained diet

cooks who work with Trust dieticians to ensure any special diets, or menu requirements can be catered for.

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,

Rob Forster Deputy Chief Executive/Director of Finance

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