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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 would like to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act:

1. *If the Trust currently, or have previously, assigned additional hospital beds for respiratory admissions over winter months?*

Not specifically for respiratory admissions.

2. *If the Trust has made any changes to its pathway for respiratory admissions in the last five years?*

The following changes have been made in the last five years:

- Provide a 7 day service in reach to the wards and A/E x 2 per day, and then as required
- Provide a telephone follow up service 24 hours post discharge and then depending on need continue with telephone service.
- Provide a daily home visit post discharge or depending on need 2 – 3 times per week.
- Extended the post discharge home visits from 2 week to a month

3. *What percentage of patients with a primary diagnosis of COPD, admitted for an exacerbation of COPD, received specialist input in to their care within 24 hours of admission in each month of 2016 and each available month of 2017?*

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 for patients we do not ask staff to search them in order to respond to Freedom of Information requests.

4. *What percentage of patients with a primary diagnosis of COPD, admitted for an exacerbation of COPD, received a discharge bundle prior to discharge in each month of 2016 and each available month of 2017?*

Please see response to question 3

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,



Andrew Foster
Chief Executive

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