

Information Governance

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I am responding to your request for information received 28th February 2020. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

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Information Governance Coordinator

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Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act can you please provide me with the following information:

Question 1. Total annual budget and monthly breakdown for food for patients. Could you provide the data in each hospital for the last five calendar years for which is available?

Answer: Please find attached excel spreadsheet which details the total food services costs for the last five financial years for each hospital. The Trust does not record this in calendar years.

The Trust is unable to provide a monthly breakdown of this information as this is not held centrally, therefore the cost of compliance and extracting your exact requirements would exceed the appropriate cost limit of £450 which is specified in Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This is based on a rate of £25 per hour, regardless of the rate of pay of any individual involved in the retrieval of requested information, and equates to 18 hours work.

Question 2. Could you provide a breakdown of meals and number of times served to patients over the above periods?

Answer: Please find attached excel spreadsheet which details the total number of inpatient meals requested for the last five financial years for each hospital. The Trust does not record this in calendar years.

The Trust is unable to provide a breakdown of meals and number of times served to patients as this information as this is not held centrally, therefore the cost of compliance and extracting your exact requirements would exceed the appropriate cost limit of £450 which is specified in Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This is based on a rate of £25 per hour, regardless of the rate of pay of any individual involved in the retrieval of requested information, and equates to 18 hours work.

Question 3. Could you tell me the number of malnutrition inpatients in each hospital last five calendar years for which is available (ideally including 2020 so far)? Can you break this down by year.

Can you use the following codes:

- **Kwashiorkor**
- **Marasmic Kwashiorkor**
- **Unspecified severe protein-energy malnutrition**
- **Mild protein - energy malnutrition**
- **Unspecified protein-energy malnutrition**
- **Other malnutrition syndrome**

Answer: The Trust had one patient discharged in 2017 from Mile End Hospital who had a diagnosis of unspecified protein-energy malnutrition.