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I am responding to your request for information received 7 February 2025. I am sorry for the delay in responding to your request. 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,

FOI Team

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

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Request:

Question 1a: In October 2024, the Trust stated that it does not have fixed capacity for remote patient monitoring enabled virtual ward beds and is scoping how capacity can be captured in the future. Did the remote patient monitoring enabled virtual wards capacity now can be captured, and if so What is the current capacity?

Answer: Whilst we have access to remote monitor this only became live in January 2025. Our capacity for Frailty Virtual Ward (consultant led) is currently 15, but to date we have not had any patients where remoting monitoring has been utilised.

Question 1b: What is the current utilisation percentage of remote patient monitoring enabled beds?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1b of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

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East London NHS Foundation Trust does not record the information requested and is therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 1c: Did the utilisation of the remote patient monitoring-enabled virtual ward beds fluctuated over the winter months (November 2024 -February 2025)?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1c of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 1d: If so, could you provide an average percentage or a breakdown of utilisation across different time periods? (depending on how often is captured/measured i.e. .weekly, bi-weekly, monthly

Answer: Not applicable.



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Question 2: Can you clarify the process used to capture and measure the utilisation of the remote patient monitoring-enabled virtual beds?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 3: Can you clarify methodology used to capture and measure the utilisation of the remote patient monitoring-enabled virtual beds?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 3 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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