

Our Ref: 269

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Re: Your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I would like to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act. Where possible, it would be great if this could be in the attached format.

The number of patients diagnosed with cancer, broken down between 2018 and 2023, where:

o The source of referral for the cancer diagnosis was listed as 'Following A&E Attendance'.

o Attendances at A&E where the presenting complaint indicated that the patient was already known to have cancer or was undergoing cancer treatment were excluded.

We can confirm that the Trust may hold (as defined in the Act) some of the information you have requested however it is not held in a readily retrievable format. We do not currently have a system that would contain the specific data that you have requested, and our current systems are unable to provide a breakdown of data in the exact manner sought.

Following A&E Attendance and Attendances at A&E where the presenting complaint indicated that the patient was already known to have cancer or was undergoing cancer treatment were excluded is not data that can be broken down to guarantee a true reflection of numbers