

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

1. Could you please tell me how your Trust plans to enforce the new smoking ban on hospital grounds once it takes effect in April?
EPUT already has a smoke free policy and signage indicating this is in place on our sites.
 2. For those caught disobeying the ban, if they are to be fined as a result, how much exactly would they have to pay out?
The Trust is not aware of any plans to fine people who continue to smoke on EPUT sites.
 3. Does your trust currently offer any on-site smoking cessation methods to encourage people to quit or seek an alternative to traditional cigarettes (such as e-cigarettes)? Would these also have to be purchased or would they be distributed free of charge?
Nicotine replacement therapy in the form of patches, inhalators and lozenges are available free of charge on all wards. Smoking cessation training is available for staff and smoking status is recorded for all patients.
Use of e-cigarettes is permitted in designated outdoor areas. E-cigarettes are not supplied by EPUT.
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