

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

To whom this may concern,

This is a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

By each calendar year I mean 1 Jan to 31 Dec. For 2023, please give data from 1 Jan up to 31 August inclusive.

Section 1: Spending on private provision:

1. How many beds did you have to pay private hospitals or providers for in the past five calendar years? Could you please break this down by?

a. Year, 2019 to 2023

There is an increase in spend against private providers due to the increase in national and regional demand for mental health services, community, inpatient and specialist services. This takes into account the need to prioritise timely and effective care for patients.

We have provided the number of patients who occupied a bed in private hospital/providers as an indicator of how many beds the Trust would have paid for.

Number of patients in a bed during calendar year					Total
2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
105	166	312	341	354	1278

b. Type of bed contracted, e.g. male, female, PICU, CAMHS

Specialty	Number of patients in a bed during calendar year					Total
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Acute	80	124	270	311	325	1110
Locked Rehab	0	0	1	1	1	3
PICU	25	42	41	29	28	165
Total	105	166	312	341	354	1278

Gender	Number of patients in a bed during calendar year					Total
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
Female	61	89	168	173	212	703
Male	44	77	144	168	142	575
Total	105	166	312	341	354	1278

2. How much did you pay private hospitals for provision of beds in the past ten calendar years? Could you please break this down by?

a. Year, 2019 to 2023

Financial Year	£			
2019 -20	502,179			
2020-21	950,030			
2021-22	4,366,450			
2022 -23	4,272,867			
*This excludes Provider Collaborative arrangements				

Section 2: Waiting times:

3. What was the average waiting time for a psychiatric bed in each calendar year, from 2019 to 2023?

[We can confirm that we are unable to provide the information requested, as we record from the date of the admission itself on our clinical system.](#)

4. How many patients waited more than 24 hours for a psychiatric bed in each calendar year, from 2019 to 2023?

[Please see response to question 3.](#)

5. How many patients waited more than 3 days for a psychiatric bed in each calendar year, from 2019 to 2023?

[Please see response to question 3.](#)

6. What is the longest period a patient has had to wait for a psychiatric bed in your trust in 2023?

[Please see response to question 3.](#)

Section 3: Discharge beds

1. How much has been spent by your trust on discharging patients to bed and breakfasts or hotels in each calendar year between 2019 and 2023?

* The Trust has identified spend on B&B and Hotels discharges as per the below table.

Year	£			
2019.20	N/A			
2020.21	N/A			
2021.22	27,357			
2022.23	35,677			
2023.24	N/A			

2. How many patients have been discharged to bed and breakfasts or hotels in each calendar year between 2019 and 2023?

[Our Electronic Patient Records do not have an inpatient discharge destination of Hotel or Bed & Breakfast, therefore we are unable to provide a response.](#)

3. What is the longest period of time a patient discharged from one of your wards has stayed at a bed and breakfast or hotel after they were discharged in 2022 or 2023?

Please provide each question's answer as a separate CSV tab.

[Please see response to question 2](#)

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