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RE: Freedom of Information Request

9th January 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 7th December 2023, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

1. In the last 5 years, how many patients that have registered in the Accident and Emergency department have left/discharged themself before being seen by a medical professional for treatment, transfer or discharge? (financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23 and up to Q1. 2023/24)

2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24 to date
3673	5309	2185	5080	6598	1403

2. Of those patients, how many left before receiving an initial assessment? (please provide this information broken down by financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23 and up to Q1. 2023/24)

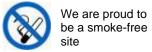
2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24 to
					date
121	227	106	316	558	149

3. Of those patients, how many left after receiving an initial assessment but before seeing a medical professional to determine whether they will need treatment, transfer or discharge? (please provide this information broken down by financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23 and up to Q1. 2023/24)

2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24 to date
225	293	149	286	334	53

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4. On average, how long was a patient waiting to be seen (for either triage or treatment) before leaving/discharging themself from A+E? (please provide this information broken down by financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23 and up to Q1. 2023/24)

2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24 to date
131 mins	134 mins	123 mins	155 mins	169 mins	168 mins

5. What was the longest time a patient was waiting to be seen (for either triage or treatment) before leaving/discharging themself from A+E? (please provide this information broken down by financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23 and up to Q1. 2023/24)

2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24 to date
608 mins	689 mins	919 mins	362 mins	1293 mins	966mins

I trust this information answers your request. Should you have any further enquiries or queries about this response please do not hesitate to contact me. However, if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Sally Brook Shanahan, Director of Corporate Affairs, King's Mill Hospital, Mansfield Road, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, NG17 4JL or email sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net.

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Yours faithfully

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