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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000 - Request for Information Reference: Aortic
Dissection Count

I am writing in response to your request for information under the FOI 2000.

I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold some of the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

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1. the number of Aortic Dissections diagnosed at your Trust from January 2018 to December 2024 by month. Please further breakdown by a count of type 'A' Aortic Dissections and type 'B' Aortic Dissections during this period	Discharge Date	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Jan	62	46	71	55	59	68	94
	Feb	39	51	62	59	59	53	94
	Mar	56	56	59	57	58	71	84
	Apr	51	61	34	66	50	78	106
	May	61	63	48	76	72	71	99
	Jun	45	57	41	61	61	76	108
	Jul	57	55	59	77	59	84	108
	Aug	36	59	64	51	51	81	112
	Sep	59	47	51	62	69	75	95
	Oct	52	72	66	63	54	89	128
	Nov	56	66	66	64	64	94	127
	Dec	51	65	57	55	62	104	100
	Please note, it is not possible to distinguish between Type A and Type B Aortic Dissections, as Sherwood Forest Hospitals assigns all cases of Aortic Dissection to the ICD-10 code I71.0, without further subclassification.							
	Also, the data provided below is based on the discharge dates of patients following an inpatient spell. As such, it is not possible to determine the exact point during the hospital stay at which the diagnosis was made.							

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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

Information Governance Team

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