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Dear Sir/Madam

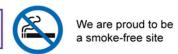
Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000 - Request for Information Reference: Elective surgery costs

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. Please accept our sincere apologies for the delay.

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FOI Request / Question	Question Response		Is there an exemption?	Exemption	Exemption Details
1. Please could you state how many patients	35				
were treated by your Trust in the last financial					
year (23/24) who were patients that should					
have paid for their treatment because they					
were not entitled to free NHS hospital care?					
2. How many of these patients who should	We do not record / c	apture this			
have paid for their treatment had (i) elective	information.				
treatment and (ii) non-elective treatment?					
3. Of those patients who were billed for	Our records do not d				
treatment how many were (i) for elective	urgent an elective ca				
treatment and the bill is still wholly or partly	DHSC regulations, w				
outstanding and what is their cumulative	offer overseas patier				
value (the unpaid balance) in total and (ii)	procedures. Should				
how many were for non-elective treatment	regarding elective ca				
and the bill is still wholly or partly outstanding	them upfront prior to				
what is their cumulative value (the unpaid	happening.				
balance) in total?					
4. Please provide a nationality breakdown of the patients who have unpaid bills against them for treatment in 23/24 showing the	Country	Patients			
	Romania	10			
	St Kitts/Nevis	1			
number of patients from each country.	Bangladesh	1			

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	Spain	1	
	Portugal	1	
	Iraq	1	
	China	1	
	Taiwan	1	
	Phillipines	1	
	Zimbabwe	1	
	Not Recorded	1	
5. Please state the amount of the largest	Elective Treatment		
unpaid bill for a chargeable patient for (i)	Non elective – £607	6.00	
elective and (ii) non-elective treatment in the			
last financial year (2023/24), giving the			
amount that is due, the speciality or			
specialities involved in treating those patients,			
and the patients country of residence.			

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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.

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office, who will consider whether we have complied with our obligations under the Act and can require us to remedy any problems. Generally, the Information Commissioner's Office cannot decide unless you have exhausted the internal review procedure. You can find out more about how to do this, and about the Act in general, on the Information Commissioner's Office website at: https://ico.org.uk/your-data-matters/official-information/.

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Yours faithfully

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