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RE: Freedom of Information Request

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Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 12th September 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. Please accept our apologies for the delay.

In your request you asked:

1. Does the trust have, or is the trust looking to obtain a HASU (Hyper Acute Stroke Unit) status?-

The trust does have a dedicated HASU bedded area on the stroke unit.

- **If yes, what is the trust's HASU status?**

We have 6 beds allocated for the use of hyper acute patients.

- **If not, what is the trust's timeline to gain the HASU status?**

N/A

2. How does the trust manage stroke litigation?

As with all clinical negligence claims, stroke litigation is managed by NHS Resolution on behalf of the Trust.

3. What were the trust's costs for managing stroke litigation in the financial year 2022/2023?

Section 21 exempts information that is reasonably accessible to you by other means.

The information you require is available here: https://resolution.nhs.uk/resources/annual-statistics-including-factsheet-5/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Resolution%20Matters%20November%202023%20-%20external%20stakeholders&utm_content=Resolution%20Matters%20November%202023%20-%20external%20stakeholders+CID_0aec14893a09688e97353d9ce468b4f9&utm_source=Email%20marketing%20software&utm_term=You%20can%20access%20our%202022-23%20claims%20data%20on%20our%20website

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4. How does the trust currently feed into the SSNAP (Sentinel Stroke National Audit Programme)?

We input all confirmed strokes into the SSNAP database.

5. What steps is the trust taking to improve its SSNAP score?

The trusts stroke team formulate an action plan once the SSNAP reports are released and feed this into divisional and trust management meetings. These actions are monitored and reviewed on a regular basis.

6. Does the trust have a ‘sophistication index’? E.g. A sophistication index shows the trust’s ability to approve and implement projects.

No, the Trust does not use a ‘sophistication index’ that shows our ability to approve and implement projects.

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 sincerely

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