

Trust Headquarters Russell's Hall Hospital Dudley West Midlands DY1 2HQ

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Date: 29/11/2024

Address / Email:

Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Request

Please state the amount of the largest unpaid bill for a chargeable patient for (i) elective and (ii) nonelective 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.

Response

As per NHS Digital rules the Trust does not publish numbers lower than 5 as this could lead to the identification of the person(s) involved and cause distress to families and friends. The number of patients for elective and non-elective treatment in the last financial year is less than 5, therefore exemption Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act is applied.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

Information Governance Manager Trust Headquarters Russell's Hall Hospital Dudley West Midlands DY1 2HQ Email: <u>dgft.dpo@nhs.net</u>

Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

Information Commissioners Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF Tel: 0303 123 1113 www.ico.org.uk

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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