

Trust Headquarters Russells Hall Hospital Dudley West Midlands DY1 2HQ

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Date: 28.5.25

Address / Email:

Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

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

Request

I am writing under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information relating to the number of patients referred for X-Ray and/or MRI scans from your Accident & Emergency (A&E) department, broken down by year, for the past four calendar years (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024) up to and including 03 May 2025:

- The number of patients who presented at A&E and were:
- o Referred for X-Ray only
- o Referred for MRI scan

And the reason (symptoms) why they were referred to either or both.

Please include the data in Excel spreadsheet or csv file with column 1 representing number of people referred for X-Ray. Column 2 with number of people referred for MRI scan. Column 3 causes (symptoms) for X-Ray and/or MRI scan referral.

Response

Please see attached spreadsheet. – For a copy of the spreadsheet please contact dgft.foi@nhs quoting the FOI reference number

Information has been provided by patients that were referred for X-Ray only, MRI only and both X-Ray and MRI. This has then been broken down by 'Group Description' which gives an overview of why the patient has attended ED.

As per NHS Digital rules the Trust does not publish numbers lower than 5 (<5) as this could lead to the identification of the persons involved. In some areas where the number is less than 5 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

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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

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

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Team
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