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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST - Ref: FOI/012386 – Dementia

I would like to make a request under the Freedom Of Information Act relating to the care of people affected by dementia in your hospital.

There is an objective in the National Dementia Strategy for Dementia for improved quality of care for people with dementia. We are therefore interested to know:

1. What development of a Trust wide dementia strategy has taken place (please submit any strategy or guidance documents)?

The Trust is currently using a health economy wide strategy to drive the principles of good care. The Trust plans to develop its own local strategy.

2. If there is a member of the board within the hospital with responsibility for implementing the dementia strategy?

The Chief Nurse has Board level responsibility for dementia care.

3. If not, is the development of a Trust wide strategy being planned?

N/A

4. How many people with coding of dementia experienced falls while in your hospital for the last year that figures are available? -

This information is not held in a centralised electronic reporting system. This information is only available within individual patient records.

5. Do you have a dementia specific falls prevention plan in place?

We have Trust wide falls bundle which includes risk assessments of all patients including those living with dementia.

6. What was the average length of stay for people with dementia for the last 3 years that figures are available?

August 12 - July 13, average length of stay = 12.9 days

August 13 - July 14, average length of stay = 10.9 days

August 14 - July 15, average length of stay = 10 days

7. What was the average length of stay for

a) all adult -

August 12 - July 13, average length of stay = 5.2 days

August 13 - July 14, average length of stay = 4.9 days

August 14 - July 15 average length of stay = 5.2 days

b) 65 years and over inpatients for the last 3 years that figures are available?

August 12 - July 13 average length of stay = 7.8 days

August 13 - July 14 average length of stay = 7.4 days

August 14 - July 15 average length of stay = 7.8 days

8. What was the number of hospital readmissions within 30 days for a) all adult inpatients b) inpatients over the age of 65 and c) inpatients with dementia, for the last year that is available.

a) Between August 14 and July 15 inclusive there were 6560 patients who were readmitted to the Trust within 30 days as per Payment by Results rules.

b) Of the patients in part a) 3758 were aged over 65 on readmission

c) Of the patients in part a) 540 had a diagnosis code of dementia on the discharging spell before readmission.

9. How many staff have received dedicated dementia training at

a) board level - 13

b) of clinical staff - 1724

c) of non-clinical staff - 11, these are staff whose role includes regular contact with patients living with dementia eg discharge coordinating staff, assessment unit staff.

10. How many staff have undergone Dementia Friends training - 479

Please note:-

Adults are treated as patients 18yrs and over

All data relates to inpatients only (excludes Day cases) all admission methods.

Dementia as coded in any diagnosis position, not necessarily treated as primary condition.

Average length of stay is not normally reported at condition level, and it has been assumed that an annual figure for each of the last 3 years is requested. In addition AvLoS is distorted by outliers and data quality. Sensible removal of obvious high outliers due to data quality has been applied