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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 014484 – Pressure sores

I am writing to make an open request for all the information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please send me:

1. The total number of patients cared for during 12 months between 01/11/2016 and 01/11/2017

Emergency

Day Case

Elective

Grand Total

These figures are published on <https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/hospital-activity/> and <https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/ae-waiting-times-and-activity/>

2. Number of inpatients that developed bed sores, pressure sores or pressure ulcers for the twelve months between: 01/11/2016 and 01/11/2017 - 380

3. Total number of pressure sore incidents by grade, not number of patients, as some patients may develop more than one pressure ulcers between: 01/11/2016 and 01/11/2017

Grade 1 - 49

Grade 2 - 265

Grade 3 - 63

Grade 4 - 3

Necrotic - Not captured separately

Purple Discoloration - Not captured separately

Although the question does not specify, the Trust has answered on the basis of the details requested in question 2 (ie inpatient)

4. The proportion of these pressure sores that were new, and had therefore occurred since admission to hospital.

- Numbers on question 2 & 3 refers to new pressure sores occurred since admission to hospital, these may be newly developed pressure ulcers or deterioration of existing pressure ulcers.

5. The number of patients admitted from residential or nursing homes with pressure sores. - This option was not available to search on during 2016/17, it was added late 2018

6. The number of death certificates in this period on which pressure sores were mentioned. - The Trust does not keep copies of death certificates