

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

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Address / Email:

Dear

## Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

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

## Request

1. What is the average time taken for discharge to be completed across the hospital as a whole/children's ward?

## Response

The Trust is unable to answer your request, we have explored all possible avenues with various departments and do not hold the data you require.

The Childrens Ward try to get children discharged on the same day as they are medically fit for discharge, but this information is not electronically recorded therefore a report cannot be run.

Adult discharges can be more complicated as patients may be medically fit for discharge but cannot be discharged from hospital as for example there may not be a package of care set up in their home or they may be waiting on availability of a place in a nursing home or a rehabilitation facility.

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.

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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

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

Yours sincerely

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