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Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

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

1. In the past three years, how many patients aged 65 and above attended/were admitted to a hospital apart of the trust with health problems related to cold temperatures, such as chest infections, respiratory conditions, flu, hypothermia and others? (Broken down by years: 2022, 2023, 2024)

All patients admitted within the specified years with the diagnosis codes of T68X,T69X,T330,T340,T350,J000,J001,J002,J003,J004,J005,J006,J009,J100,J110,J120,J130,J140,J150,J160,J170,J180,J200,J210 and J220 as advised by our coding team.

Please note we have not been able to include 'other' category as this is not specific enough.
 Information for 2024 is from January to November.

APC	
Year	Admissions
2022	201
2023	254
2024	148

Please note: there will be a cohort of patients who attended ED and were subsequently admitted, this cohort is counted in the admissions count.

	ED
	Attended
2022	306
2023	246
2024	386

2. How many excess winter deaths (EWDs) have the trust recorded in the past three years (Broken down by years: 2022, 2023, 2024)

3. Of these deaths, how many were aged 65 and above? (Broken down by years: 2022, 2023, 2024)
If possible, can this be presented in PDF format please?

Questions 2 and 3 - The summary below is based on the Summary Hospital-level Mortality Indicator (SHMI) reports on mortality at trust level. This is a standard and transparent methodology produced by NHS England.

For this response we have displayed the actual number of in hospital deaths at the Trust and the number that would be expected to die on the basis of the modelled average, given the characteristics of the patients treated. The data is for October to March for 2021-2024 respectively. The published data is only up to August 2024, therefore October 2024 to March 2025 is not present in this return.

The first table below shows modelled data for all age groups, while the second table shows modelled data for patients aged 65 and over.

All Age Groups

Period	Expected number of deaths (in hospital)	Number of mortalities occurring in the hospital	Excess
Oct21-Mar22	816.16	881	64.8
Oct22-Mar23	911.01	977	66.0
Oct23-Mar24	903.49	856	-47.5

Age 65 years and over

Period	Expected number of deaths (in hospital)	Number of mortalities occurring in the hospital	Excess
Oct21-Mar22	708.86	743	34.1
Oct22-Mar23	797.77	839	41.2
Oct23-Mar24	783.24	745	-38.2

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

Yours sincerely

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