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Freedom of Information Act Disclosure log - Reply Extract

You asked

I would like to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

Since October 2017, NHS providers and non-NHS providers have been legally required to recover full charges for services that are not immediately necessary or urgent, in advance of providing them.

Please could you tell me:

1. What is the total amount of revenue that the Trust brought in by these charges?

£12,651.64 to December 2018.

2. What is the total cost (or estimated cost) to the Trust of implementing these rules? (Including staffing costs).

In order to implement these rules, the Trust employed an additional member of staff at a cost of £19,971 per annum.

3. Please provide a breakdown of all the charges that have been collected by the Trust. This should be itemised by the list of categories that is included in the [overseas patient upfront tariff price list](#). For each speciality/category, please state:

(a) the total number of times that patients have been charged for this category of treatment;

(b) the total amount of money collected for this category of treatment.

Specialty/Category	a. No. of times charged	b. Total Amount Collected
Plastic Surgery	Five or fewer	£3,594.48
Pregnancy Advisory Centre	Five or fewer	£1,132.50
Acute Medicine	Five or fewer	£3,328.50
Intensive Care	Five or fewer	£4,500.00
Maternity outpatients	Five or fewer	£96.16

Please note that the above figures are up to December 2018.

NB: All of the statistics requested should start from when upfront charges were introduced in October 2017, and go up to either 31 December 2018, or whenever your records go up to.

Legal notes (Volume)

University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust is confirming in accordance with section 1 (a) of the Act that it holds the information requested and is supplying it in accordance with section 1(b) unless otherwise specified.

Please find the answers to your questions noting that we have redacted the data set where numbers are five or fewer. This avoids a breach of the first two Data Protection Act (DPA) principles and the general right to object to processing. This refusal is in accordance with section 40.-(2)(a) and (b) by virtue of the first and second condition.

Attachments included: No