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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to ESBL and CPE infections.

Can you please tell me how many people in your hospital trust:

- 1. Were admitted to hospital with an ESBL infection*
- 2. Acquired an ESBL infection while in hospital*
- 3. Were admitted to hospital with a CPE infection*
- 4. Acquired a CPE infection while in hospital*

Please provide the information for the past 10 years.

This is not a format of data that the Trust keeps routinely. The ESBL information is not held electronically and the Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider this part of your request. The appropriate limit is specified in regulations and represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Trust holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 the Trust is not obliged to comply with this part of your request and we will not be processing this part of your request further.

We have been able to manually look back for the CPE but we have only recently come across this organism. In the 13 months (1/8/15 to 31/8/16) we have had one patient colonised, but not infected, with a carbapenemase producing enterbacteriaceae (CPE) detected on admission screening. We have had no infections with CPE in that time.