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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 the largest unpaid bill for and overseas patients 2013-2016.

*In each of the last three financial years (13/14), (14/15) and (15/16) what is the largest bill for the treatment of a foreign patient who was not entitled to free NHS care that you have written off in that you now see no realistic prospect of ever being paid for it.*

*For each of these three bills please state (i) the amount that has been written off and (ii) the main specialism of care that was provided e.g. (cardiology, orthopaedics, etc.) and (iii) the nationality of the patient.*

*NOTE: This question relates to the financial year that the bill was written off, NOT when the treatment was received.*

Please note that records were not kept prior to January 2014.

Debt is written off but never cancelled; the patient can pay at any-time.

The patient Nationality is not recorded.

2015/16

Highest value written off £14435    Specialty: Trauma and Orthopaedics

2014/15

Highest value written off £1626    Specialty: Surgery

2013/14

Data not available