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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 Service suspensions.

1) In the past 12 months, have you suspended any acute services because of a shortage of doctors or nurses to staff the service?

If yes:

a) Which services were suspended?

b) How many suspensions have there been?

c) What was the longest period a service was suspended for?

2.) Intensive care services: Are any ITU beds closed?

If yes:

a) How many times in the past 12 months have ITU beds had to be closed?

1) No, the Trust has not suspended any acute services in the past 12 months.

2) Neither Tunbridge Wells Hospital or Maidstone Hospital have closed ITU over past 12 months.