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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 Edenbridge Hospital.

1. The number of patients discharged to Edenbridge who have postcodes that fall within the Edenbridge catchment area together with the point of input and control for patient discharge/allocation.

Edenbridge Hospital is not one of Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust hospitals and the Trust have Outpatient clinics that are held at Edenbridge but no inpatients are ours. Any patients discharged from the Trust hospitals to Edenbridge would have a code to say 'discharged to another hospital' so we could not specify those that went to Edenbridge using electronic data. Without reviewing the records of every patient that has been discharged to another hospital we could not comment on the rationale behind each decision.

The Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider 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 your request and we will not be processing your request further.