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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 Influenza and Winter Care Plan.

WINTER PLAN

Q1. How many extra beds will the trust need this winter to meet demand?

How does this differ to the numbers for the previous winter (2016-17)?

Q2. How many extra staff will you take on to meet extra demand on services this winter? How does this compare to last year?

Q.3 How much will your winter plan cost to implement this year? How does this compare to 2016-17?

Q 4. Please include a link/attachment of your 2017-18 winter plan.

Q 5. How many delayed transfer of care days did you have in August 2017 (the latest available). What is your delayed transfer rate (%)?

How does this compare to the numbers in winter 2016-17 please?

What is your monthly target in numbers and rate for winter 2017-18?

CASES OF H3N2

Q. 6. How many cases of h3n2 have been reported by the trust since August 1, 2017? How many cases of flu have been reported by the trust since August 1, 2017?

Q.7. Have there been any deaths due to h3n2 since August 1, 2017? If so, how many? Have there been any deaths due to flu since August 1, 2017? If so, how many?

INFLUENZA PANDEMIC PLAN

Q8. Have you made any changes or updates to your influenza pandemic plan this year? If so, please include a link/attachment to this.

1. Escalation of up to 28 beds plus conversion of elective areas into urgent care areas depended on if upper demand limits are reached. Less, but during the year, some of the trust's previously escalation beds have been converted into core beds and used throughout the year. – Overall a similar number last year to this year.

2. 41 WTE

Similar 38 WTE

3 Circa £800K dependent on levels of escalation required
Circa £800K

4. Under Section 21 of the Act we are not required to provide information in response to a request if the information is already reasonably accessible to you. The winter plan is in our October board papers section, which can be found on our Trust website www.mtw.nhs.uk

5. 155 (4.54%) best rate in last two years, YTD is 5.5%
August 2016 was 201 (6.72%). Average during October 16 to Mar 17 was 224. Rate was 7.06%

In line with national target of a maximum rate of 3.5% (Green) or up to 5% (Amber)

6. No cases seen

7. No cases seen

8. Yes, we have made one change to the plan. Previously we have used the trivalent vaccine, this season we are using the quadrivalent vaccine.