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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 financial penalties.

You asked:

Since 2011, NHS Trusts in England are subjected to financial penalties for higher than expected 30-day hospital readmission rates. However, information on trust-specific financial penalties is not currently available in the public domain. I hereby request an annual breakdown of all financial penalties imposed on your Trust, starting with financial year 2011/12 and ranging to financial year 2017/18. Specifically, I am requesting the following items listed for each financial year (2011/12; 2012/13; 2013/14; 2014/15; 2015/16; 2016/17; 2017/18):

- 1. Total amount withheld (in £) in a respective financial year (i.e. the amount of the penalty)
- 2. Total amount of readmission costs reimbursed in a respective financial year

Trust response:

Please note – the below figures are the total financial penalties for each year, not just 30 day readmissions.

	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Total amount withheld (in £) in a respective financial year (i.e. the amount of the penalty)	-4,205,586	-1,962,371	-8,351,552	-10,329,812	-6,449,183	-7,111,368	-8,624,012
Total amount of readmission costs reimbursed in a	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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