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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 Dog bites.

You asked:

- 1. For 2021; by the Hospitals in your trust please can I receive a monthly breakdown on the number of people visiting hospitals having been "Bitten or stuck by a dog"*
- 2. For 2020; by the Hospitals in your trust please can I receive a monthly breakdown on the number of people visiting hospitals having been "Bitten or stuck by a dog"*
- 3. For 2019; by the Hospitals in your trust please can I receive a monthly breakdown on the number of people visiting hospitals having been "Bitten or stuck by a dog"*

Trust response:

Due to the very small number of cases and in order to protect patient confidentiality the Trust has decided that the level of detailed information requested be refused using the limitations available under Section 10 and Section 11 of the Data Protection Act 1998. The information you have requested is therefore exempt under Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The Trust is able to give you the total yearly number of admissions for dog bites across the Trust.

1. 24 to date
2. 33
3. 52