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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 hotel use by patients.

You asked: All questions are shown as received by the Trust.

- 1. Does the Trust send patients to hotels as part of their treatment or recovery? If so, please stipulate the circumstances in which this policy applies.*
- 2. Which hotels have been used by the Trust for this purpose since 2020?*
- 3. Since April 2020 (i.e. the start of the 2020-2021 financial year), how many patients have been sent by the Trust to hotels as part of their treatment or recovery? Please stipulate by financial year, i.e. 2020-21, 2021-22, financial year 2022-23, and financial year 2023-24 to date this FOI request was received.*
- 4. Since April 2020 (i.e. the start of the 2020-2021 financial year), how much has the Trust spent on sending patients to hotels? Please stipulate by financial year, i.e. 2020-21, 2021-22, financial year 2022-23, and financial year 2023-24 to date this FOI request was received.*

Trust response:

1. Very occasionally patients will be transferred to a hotel/B and B under our discharge to assess process if their final accommodation is unavailable when they no longer meet the criteria to reside in a hospital. Patients are not being supported in hotels whilst receiving daily treatment.
2. Mercure Pembury, Premier Inn Tunbridge wells
3. One stay for 48 hours from the year 22- 23
4. Section 43 is being applied to this question.