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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 Delayed discharges.

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

- i) The longest time period for which a patient was considered medically fit for discharge without being discharged at your trust in 2022; and*
ii) The number of patients who have died after being declared medically fit for discharge without having been discharged at your trust in each of the last 5 calendar years.

Trust response:

- i) One patient waited 144 days for suitable onward placement.
ii) Please note:

The Trust can supply data for the last 3 years when the model changed to D2A.

2020 was COVID year - model changed to D2A - significant increase in numbers of patients requiring brokerage.

2021 - lots of care homes were in recovery mode so good availability of nursing home beds.

2022 - care home market recovered so less availability. Significant increase in CHC Fast tracks referred (i.e. patients who are dying) and therefore greater chance of them dying whilst waiting for placement

This data only covers patients referred under the D2a process, we are not able to access the number of patients waiting for a pathway 1 or 2 discharges who died whilst waiting - however the numbers are likely to be small.

	2020	2021	2022
January	2	2	9
February	0	5	9

March	3	0	No data
April		0	8
May	2	0	No data
June	7	1	4
July	5	3	12
August	3	2	10
September	5	4	4
October	2	No data	10
November	4	6	10
December	No data	7	11