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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 A&E statistics.

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

- 1. Please provide figures the three longest stays in the trust's A&E department in for the year 2023/24 to date. If possible, please specify the month they each occurred and if there was a specific reason.*
- 2. Please tell me the three longest stays in the trust's A&E department in 2022/23. If possible, please specify the month they each occurred and if there was a specific reason.*
- 3. Please tell me how many patients were in the trust's A&E department for 24 hours or more before being admitted or discharged in 2023/24 to date.*
- 4. Please tell me how many patients were in the trust's A&E department for 24 hours or more before being admitted or discharged in 2022/23.*
- 5. Please tell me whether patients are ever cared for in non clinically designated areas during times of high demand in the A&E department? If yes, please could you specify where these areas are for example corridors, waiting rooms or relatives rooms.*

Trust response:

1. The three longest waits for the year 2023/24 are 3668, 3986 and 5739 minutes. Because of the very small number of cases and in order to protect patient confidentiality the Trust has decided that further information be refused using the limitations available under Section 40(2) of the Act.
2. The three longest waits for the year 2022/23 are 3036, 3367 and 3805 minutes. Because of the very small number of cases and in order to protect patient confidentiality the Trust has decided that further information be refused using the limitations available under Section 40(2) of the Act.
3. 467
4. 500

5. We aim to ensure our patients are cared for in the most appropriate places. This however, in extreme circumstances, can be additional areas such as the corridor which then is staffed with additional nursing and medical support.