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Email only

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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 15th November 2023 in relation to County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (the Trust). Your request has been processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and I am now able to provide you with a response.

Your request was in relation to Cancer Appointments and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

I am writing to request, under the Freedom of Information Act, the following information:

Due to the implementation of Trust's new Electronic Patient Record system the Trust are only able to provide a part year response to the questions. Providing the response for the period before the EPR implementation would mean manual retrieval from the clinical archive which would exceed the FOI resource limit. The Trust are able to provide data from November 2022 to March 2023.

1. The number of Hospital Cancellations Only

(a) first consultant appointments after an urgent referral,

- a. 341 were cancelled once
- b. 8 were cancelled twice
- c. Zero were cancelled three times or more

(b) first definitive cancer treatments, (Hospital Cancellations Only)

- a. 173 were cancelled once
- b. Zero were cancelled twice
- c. Zero were cancelled three times or more

and

(c) subsequent cancer treatments, that were cancelled or rescheduled by your trust in financial year 2022/23:

Subsequent treatments are included in question 1b.

2. The most amount of times the date was changed on a single one of the above cancer appointments by your trust in FY 2022/23.

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In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log on the Trust's website. However please be assured that we anonymise all responses prior to adding them to the disclosure log.

I hope that this response has provided you with the information you had requested. If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or in writing. If however, you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been handled and would like an internal review, you will need to contact me in writing at the above address or via cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.

If you remain dissatisfied with our response following an internal review you have the right to appeal to The Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. More information is available on their website; www.ico.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

Corporate Records and Freedom of Information Facilitator