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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for your request for information received on 14 June 2019 in relation to the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (Trust). We are dealing with your request under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested information regarding length of stay. Specifically you requested information as follows:

Under the FOI Act 2000, please could I request your Trust's average length of stay for all male patients over the age of 80, admitted for at least 1 night, to your trust and discharged alive for any medical or surgical cause?

With regards to timeframe, please can I request information for the four quarters of 2018 (or in whichever breakdown this information is available for 2018) and the first quarter of 2019, Q1 January – March?

County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust replies:

Answer: All male patients over the age of 80 where the length of stay (LOS) is greater than zero and they were discharged alive.

Jan to Mar 2018 – average LOS: 9.6 Days
Apr to Jun 2018 – average LOS: 9.0 Days
Jul to Sep 2018 – average LOS: 8.6 Days
Oct to Dec 2018 – average LOS: 8.3 Days
Jan to Mar 2019 – average LOS: 8.4 Days

Total for the period average LOS: 8.8 Days

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. Therefore, a version of our response which will protect your anonymity will be posted on the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust website.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number or at the above address.

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review by writing to:

The Chief Executive
County Durham & Darlington NHS Foundation Trust
Darlington Memorial Hospital
Hollyhurst Road
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If, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113
Website: www.ico.gov.uk.

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely

Joanna Tyrrell
Freedom of Information Officer