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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for your request for information received on 20 January 2020 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 the postponement of procedures. Specifically you requested information as follows:

I would like to submit a freedom of information request for the following information:

- 1. In November 2019, Northampton General Hospital Trust announced it was postponing 'some' non-urgent inpatient surgery procedures until the end of March 2020 to free up capacity for emergency care.***
 - 1A. In November or December 2019, did your Trust also postpone non-urgent inpatient surgery procedures until March 2020 (or later)?***
 - 1B. How many procedures were postponed?***

Answer: No planned postponed procedures

- 2. In November 2019, NHS sources reportedly said that extra funding was being offered this winter to Trusts. Trusts were asked to put forward suggestions and make the case to NHS England for this supplementary money.***
 - 2A. Did your Trust put forward a case to NHS England to receive extra funding for the winter period?***
 - 2B. What quantity of funding did you ask for?***
 - 2C. What purpose did you propose for the funding?***
 - 2D. What quantity of winter funding did you receive from NHS England?***

Answer: No - NHSE funding was bid for in November 2019

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

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