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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for your request for information received on 6 March 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.

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

1. Does this Trust treat Obstructive Sleep Apnoea patients with continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) when appropriate?

Yes the Trust does treat patients with CPAP when appropriate.

2. What is the approximate number of patients currently treated with CPAP within this Trust? If current number not available please provide most recent estimate available?

There are approximately 4,000 patients Trust wide currently treated with CPAP. The Trust is unable to provide an exact figure as this is not recorded centrally.

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

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Freedom of Information Officer