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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 16 August 2021 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 overseas maternity patients and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

1. (a) In relation to 2020/21 how many Overseas Patients Not Eligible for Free UK Healthcare were treated in the maternity department of your Trust?

In 2020/2021 there were 6 patients not eligible for free UK healthcare treated in the maternity department of the Trust.

(b) How many of these patients (Overseas Patients Not Eligible for Free UK Healthcare who were treated in the maternity department of your Trust during 2020/21) have received an invoice from the Trust for the value of the care they received?

In 2020/2021 there were 6 patients not eligible for free UK healthcare that were invoiced for the value of the care they received in the maternity department of the Trust.

(c) If the answer to (a) is greater than the answer to (b) could you please state why not all these patients were sent an invoice for their care?

The answer to this question is Not Applicable.

(d) In relation to the patients who received a bill, what is the total value of all those invoices?

The total value of the invoices for the care was £21,120.52.

(e) How many of the invoices sent to patients in (b) have not been paid and what is the total value of these as yet unpaid bills?

A total of £4,644.00 is outstanding and this is from invoices to two patients.

(f) In relation to these unpaid bills what is the single biggest outstanding amount?

The biggest outstanding unpaid bill is £2,772.00.

(g) What is the total amount of invoices for care of any description at your hospital that were written off in the 2020/21 financial year, but which were incurred at any time in the past?

The total amount of invoices for care of any description in the Trust that were written off in the 2020/2021 financial year, but which were incurred at any time in the past was £21,449.76.

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