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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 17th June 2022 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 survival rates for all patients diagnosed with colorectal cancer and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

I would like to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

- 1. The Trust's survival rates for all patients diagnosed with colorectal cancer.**
- 2. The Trust's survival rates for patients diagnosed with colorectal cancer at stage 2.**
- 3. The Trust's survival rates for patients diagnosed with colorectal cancer aged 80 - 90.**

The Trust does not hold this information. Limited survivorship data is available as part of the National Bowel Cancer Audit (NBOCA) that is derived from linkage between NBOCA and Hospital Episode Statistics (HES) data.

Under the terms of the Act, a request for information can be refused where one or more exemptions listed in the Act apply. In this case the Trust is claiming an exemption under Section 21 of the Act, namely the information is accessible on the National Bowel Cancer Audit website. The information is available on the following link

[Annual Report 2021 - National Bowel Cancer Audit \(nboca.org.uk\)](https://www.nboca.org.uk)

4. Please could you also confirm that Dr/Mr Darish Kamali is a consultant/surgeon working at the Trust. If confirmed, please can you also provide his respective survival rates for the above.

The Trust can confirm that Mr Kamali is a member of staff, however it does not hold the information requested as explained in the response to question 1-3.

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