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Email only

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### **Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information**

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 19<sup>th</sup> October 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 the longest A&E wait and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

- 1. Of those patients waiting longer than 12 hours from decision to admit to admission in A&E at your Trust, what was the longest wait over 12 hours between September 2021 and September 2022? If possible, please provide a reason for the delay.**

1865 Minutes, the reason was 'waiting for a medical bed'

Note that whilst patients can remain in the Emergency Department for any length of time, they are monitored and cared for throughout their stay, with treatment plans adjusted as clinically needed.

Where required, patients are provided with food and drink and kept as comfortable as possible.

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](mailto: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](http://www.ico.gov.uk).

Yours sincerely

**Corporate Records and Freedom of Information Facilitator**