BED CAPACITY

FOI Ref: 2474 (January 2017)

Dear Katie

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information enquiry from Weston Area Health NHS Trust.

- 1. Do you have any strategy or informal policy that allows adults to be treated in beds/wards that are usually used for paediatric care to help with overcrowding? No policy or strategy as we do not do this
- 2. What is that wording of that strategy? -NA
- 3. When as it first drawn up? -NA
- 4. How many times since January 2016 year has this been implemented? If applicable, how many times was it implemented between Jan 2015 and Jan 2016. NA
- 5. How many individual adult patients since January 2016 have been treated on child wards/bed with dates if possible. And the same figure Jan 2015-16. NA
- 5. Were there any occasions when adults and children were treated on the same ward? No
- 6. How many times has the hospital been on a) black alert and b) red alert for capacity since January 2016. How many times was it put on a and b from January 2015 2016.

The Trust is unable to answer this as the requested data is not recorded in a way that can easily be collected. Operational reports are recorded manually 3 – 4 times a day, it would take in excess of 18 hours of staff time to manually search and collate this information and therefore exempt under Section 12 of the FOI Act.

I trust that your request has been satisfactorily answered, but I should advise you that you have the right to complain about this response by reference to the complaints procedure of the Weston Area Health NHS Trust, in which case you should write to me at this email address.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision of the Trust following your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner, whose address is:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely,

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FOI Ref: 2475 (March 2017)

Dear Alex

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information enquiry from Weston Area Health NHS Trust.

- 1a How many beds did the Trust have for NHS services in 2012?
 - o 242 funded inpatient beds
- 1b How many beds does the Trust have for NHS services in 2017?
 - o 254 funded inpatient beds
- 2a How many beds did the Trust have for private patients in 2012?
 - 12 private patients
- 2b How many beds does the Trust have for private patients in 2017
 - 12 private patients

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