

Date: **20 November 2019**

Our reference: **FOIRQ5522**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your request for information, which we have processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please see our response to your following request for information:

Your Request

Please tell me for the last three financial years (2016/17, 2017/18 and 2018/19) how many bills were sent to embassies following the treatment of diplomatic personnel not eligible for free UK healthcare.

Please break down the total for each year by a) the number of individuals billed, b) the embassies to which the bills were sent, c) the treatment given and d) the amount of the debt paid off up to the date of this email.

E.g. 1 bill in 2016/17 of £4,000 sent to the Peruvian embassy for a heart bypass operation, 30 percent paid off.

Another bill in 2016/17 of £1,200 sent to the Chinese embassy for treatment of a fractured arm, 100% paid off.

Our Response

Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust (the 'Trust') is a single site, specialist tertiary paediatric trust. We do not hold the information requested and cannot therefore respond to your request for information

Please note:

The information we have provided under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is the information held on the date your request was received by the Trust.

We hope the information provided is sufficient and helpful in answering your questions or any issues or concerns. Should you have any further queries in relation to this request, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Team and quote the above reference number on any related correspondence.

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Yours sincerely

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Your Rights

Should you have any questions relating to the response you have received to your request for information, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Team. Alternatively, you are entitled to make a request for an internal review within two months from the receipt date of our final response to your original request. You can also write to the Head of Quality & Safety at the following address:

Quality & Safety team
Great Ormond Street Hospital
LONDON
WC1N 3JH

If, however, you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review then you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner as the final stage of the FOI process. You can contact the Information Commissioner's Office at the following address:

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