

Date: **6 August 2019**

Our reference: **FOIRQ5314**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your request for information processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please see our response to your requests for information below:

Your Request and Our Response (in bold)

I am writing under the Freedom of Information Act to request information from your NHS Trust regarding overseas visitors who have been charged for NHS care and are exempt from reciprocal arrangements within the UK. Please could you tell me:

- 1. The total number of overseas visitors who were invoiced for using the trust's services during the financial year 2018/19*
- 2. The total amount of outstanding money currently owed to your trust by overseas visitors charged for healthcare.*
- 3. The highest unpaid bill for an overseas visitor for the financial years 2017/18 and 2018/19. If possible, please also provide details of the patient's nationality, the treatment/ care provided and the total cost*

Our Request for Clarification

The Trust asked you to provide clarification regarding Q.3 to confirm whether you were seeking to obtain the total amount outstanding for 2018/19; or all the information we hold irrespective of the financial year?

Your Response to Our Request for Clarification

You confirmed that you require all the amounts outstanding irrespective of the financial year.

Our Response

Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust has responded (in bold) to your following request for information:

- 4. The total number of overseas visitors who were invoiced for using the trust's services during the financial year 2018/19* **14**
- 5. The total amount of outstanding money currently owed to your trust by overseas visitors charged for healthcare.* **£160,621**

6. *The highest unpaid bill for an overseas visitor for the financial years 2017/18 and 2018/19. If possible, please also provide details of the patient's nationality, the treatment/ care provided and the total cost* **The following figures relate to non-EU visitors for treatment of renal failure and diabetes:**

2017/18 – £100,744

2018/19 – £16,818

Please note:

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

We trust the information provided is sufficient and helped to answer any issues, concerns or questions. 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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If you are dissatisfied with the response you have received to your request for information, please contact the FOI team and quote your reference number on all correspondence relating to your request.

You can also write to the Head of Quality & Safety at the following address:

Quality & Safety team
Great Ormond Street Hospital
LONDON
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If you are still not satisfied with your response, you also have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner.

You can contact the Information Commissioner's Office at the following address:

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