

26th February 2014

ND ref. **FOI/13/226**

Dear

Thank you for your 17/01/14 request.

Freedom of Information

Thank you for your response to FOI-13-185, the Trust would be happy to provide additional information.

You requested the following information:

Can you tell me the numbers and length of stay of patients from Torrington and surrounding area admitted to Hatchmoor Nursing Home from Oct 1 to Nov 26th 2013

Answer: Between Oct 1st 2013 and Nov 26th 2013 there were fewer than five transfers to Hatchmoor from NDDH. The residency of these patients was Torrington, Bideford and Winkleigh. However, we remain unable to answer the question about length of stay in Hatchmoor Nursing Home as we are not responsible for those services. We can confirm that we record destinations in the discharge summary.

I would also like to ask at this time which members of Trust staff were responsible/accountable for the decision in the onward movement of patients into other community hospitals and into Hatchmoor Nursing Home rather than into Torrington during the time of the so called trial - Oct 1 to Nov 26th 2013 .

Answer: It is Trust policy not to issue names below Director Level other than in relation to significant service development or public messages on our website or in press releases. It exempts such material under section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000: Personal Information (where disclosure may contravene the Data Protection Act 1998).

We hope this is useful. To the best of our knowledge it comprises all the relevant information held by the Trust.

Yours sincerely,

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