

ND ref. FOI/17/332

**Freedom of Information**

Thank you for your 14/11/17 request for the following information in response to the information we provided under FOI-17-310 on 14/11/17 request for the following information:

*Could you please give me figures for the following:*

- 1) *Total number of admissions of residents from Seaton, Devon to use any inpatients service across the whole of the Northern Devon trust in the past 3 years. This is so that I can ascertain which services are most used by Seaton residents and not just the individual number of residents who have used the services.*

Answer: Please see table below:

Location	2014	2015	2016	Grand Total
Axminster Hospital	7			7
Honiton Hospital	≤5	8	≤5	11
North Devon District Hospital		≤5		≤5
Ottery St Mary Hospital	≤5	6	≤5	11
Seaton Hospital	18	91	48	157
Sidmouth Victoria Hospital	≤5	≤5	6	13
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>200</b>

In accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 we are unable to provide figures where the number of patients is less than or equal to five and could risk the identification of those patients and breach Caldicott principles.

In these cases ≤5 is used to indicate that a figure between 1 and 5 is being suppressed. Also note that if only one cell required suppression, at least one other number has been suppressed to avoid calculation of suppressed values from the totals.

This follows NHS Digital (formerly HSCIC) analysis guidance (2014) which states that small numbers within local authorities, wards, postcode districts, CCG's providers and Trusts may allow identification of patients and should not be published.

Please also note: the significant change in numbers noted in 2017 is because on 1st October 2016, the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust (RD&E) took over community hospital and community services within Eastern and Mid Devon (including Seaton), reducing the number of our community sites to five and community services to cover North Devon only.

- 2) *The total number of admissions of residents from Seaton to use an outpatients service in any of the trusts hospitals, in the past 3 years. More specifically, a breakdown of how many people from Seaton used each specific service or clinical department that Northern Devon provides.*

*For example:*

*Total number of Seaton residents to use service:*

*Orthotics=?*

*Ear nose and throat =?*

*Renal clinic=?*

*Etc.*

Answer: Please see table below:

	2014	2015	2016	2017	Grand Total
<b>AXMINSTER HOSPITAL</b>	≤5	≤5	≤5		≤5

<b>ANAESTHETICS AND PAIN MANAGMNT</b>		≤5			≤5
Admit Direct		≤5			≤5
<b>ENT</b>	≤5	≤5	≤5		≤5
Add to Inpatient waiting list	≤5	≤5	≤5		≤5
<b>EXMOUTH HOSPITAL</b>		≤5			≤5
<b>ENT</b>		≤5			≤5
Add to Inpatient waiting list		≤5			≤5
<b>HONITON HOSPITAL</b>		≤5			≤5
<b>CARE OF THE ELDERLY</b>		≤5			≤5
Add to Inpatient waiting list		≤5			≤5
<b>NORTH DEVON DISTRICT HOSPITAL</b>			≤5	≤5	≤5
<b>CARDIOLOGY</b>				≤5	≤5
Add to Inpatient waiting list				≤5	≤5
<b>OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY</b>			≤5		≤5
Suit Admiss (Pre-Op Assess)			≤5		≤5
<b>SURGERY PRE OP</b>			≤5		≤5
Suit Admiss (Pre-Op Assess)			≤5		≤5
<b>Grand Total</b>	≤5	≤5	≤5	≤5	<b>11</b>

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*I understand that this may be a longer request than usual. Any help you could give would be greatly appreciated.*