

**Information Governance**

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Dear

**Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act**

Thank you for your email of 4 January, making a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested the following information and the Trust is able to provide the information below in response:

**Request:**

Please provide the following information:

1. How much money did the Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust spend on inpatient beds in private psychiatric hospitals in each of the past 5 years?
2. How much money did the Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust pay The Priory Group for private inpatient psychiatric treatment in each of the past 5 years? Please name the hospitals used and provide a breakdown of the amount paid to each individual hospital.
3. How much money has the Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust paid The Priory Group for private inpatient psychiatric treatment since January 2016?
4. What is the average nightly rate paid by the Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust for an inpatient bed in a Priory Group psychiatric hospital?
5. How many of the Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust's NHS patients were treated as inpatients at psychiatric hospitals run by The Priory Group in each of the past 5 years?

**Response:**

1. The Trust publishes information in the Annual Accounts, under Purchase of Healthcare from Non-NHS bodies, the information can be located at the following URL:

<https://www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/publication/annual-reports/>

2 to 5: The Trust is unable to comply with your request and has applied section 43 to the request. The Trust has not disclosed this information and relies on section 43 in this respect. The Trust would not be able to obtain best value in tendering, negotiating or contracting for these services, and there would be likely to be prejudice to the commercial interest of the Trust and providers of such services as a result.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to me and I will ensure the decision is reviewed. The Trust will consider undertaking a review if requested to do so within 40 working days of the date the response is received by the applicant, and will apply discretion if a longer period of time has passed.

Should you wish to make a complaint as a result of the outcome of such a review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision.

Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust for FoI Act matters.

The ICO can be contacted at:

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

Please contact me if there are any further queries.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mark Underwood

Head of Information Governance