

FOI REF: 22/559

13th October 2022

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide me with information to the below questions regarding the number of people treated in your accident and emergency departments for injuries related to cycling or e-scooter accidents.

- 1i. How many people were treated for injuries relating to e-scooters at your hospitals' A&E departments in each of the following years:**
- a. 2020**
 - b. 2021**
 - c. 2022 (up to and including 31st August)**

Section 12(1) of the Act allows a public authority to refuse to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of compliance would exceed the 'appropriate limit', as defined by the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 (the Regulations). These state that this cost limit is £450 for public authorities which are not part of central government or the armed forces. The costs are calculated at £25 per hour per person regardless of the rate of pay, which means that the limit will be exceeded if the work involved would exceed 18 hours. The Trust estimates that the cost of complying with this request would significantly exceed the above limit because a manual inspection of all patient medical records would need to be undertaken.

- 1ii. In each of the following years, how many of the people treated for injuries relating to e-scooters had consumed alcohol:**
- a. 2020**
 - b. 2021**
 - c. 2022 (up to and including 31st August)**

Please see answer to question 1i.

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- 2i. How many people were treated for injuries relating to cycling at your hospitals' A&E departments in each of the following years:
- a. 2020
 - b. 2021
 - c. 2022 (up to and including 31st August)

[Please see answer to question 1i.](#)

- 2ii. In each of the following years, how many of the people treated for injuries relating to cycling had consumed alcohol:
- a. 2020
 - b. 2021
 - c. 2022 (up to and including 31st August)

[Please see answer to question 1i.](#)

- 3i. How many people were treated for injuries relating to motorbikes at your hospitals' A&E departments in each of the following years:
- a. 2020
 - b. 2021
 - c. 2022 (up to and including 31st August)

[Please see answer to question 1i.](#)

- 3ii. In each of the following years, how many of the people treated for injuries relating to motorbikes had consumed alcohol:
- a. 2020
 - b. 2021
 - c. 2022 (up to and including 31st August)

[Please see answer to question 1i.](#)

4. How many people were treated for head injuries relating to e-scooters at your hospitals' A&E departments in each of the following years:
- a. 2020
 - b. 2021
 - c. 2022 (up to and including 31st August)

[Please see answer to question 1i.](#)

5. **How many people were treated for head injuries relating to cycling at your hospital's A&E department in each of the following years:**
- a. **2020**
 - b. **2021**
 - c. **2022 (up to and including 31st August)**

Please see answer to question 1i.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department (esh-tr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Yours sincerely

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