

FOI REF: 23/607

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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:

Please can you provide me with the following information:

- 1) **Does the trust have, or is the trust looking to obtain a HASU (Hyper Acute Stroke Unit) status?**

East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust (ESHT) have a HASU, however now the new terminology is Comprehensive Stroke Centre (CSC) or – Acute Stroke Centre (ASC). We, at ESHT, are an Acute Stroke Centre.

- 2) **If yes, what is the trust's HASU status?**

9 hyperacute stroke beds.

- 3) **If not, what is the trust's timeline to gain the HASU status?**

Not applicable.

- 4) **How does the trust manage stroke litigation?**

ESHT's Litigation is managed by NHS Resolution (NHSR).

Please refer this part of your request direct to NHSR by completing the NHSR form via the following link:

<https://resolution.nhs.uk/freedom-of-information/>

- 5) **What were the trust's costs for managing stroke litigation in the financial year 2022/2023?**

The information requested above is collated by NHS Resolution. Information prior to 2022/23 is available via their website which can be accessed using the link below:

<http://www.nhs.uk/search/pages/results.aspx?k=factsheet>

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Please refer your request direct to NHR for the year 2022/23, by completing the NHR form via the following link:

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6) How does the trust currently feed into the SSNAP (Sentinel Stroke National Audit Programme)?

SSNAP information is entered into SSNAP portal by the audit team.

7) What steps is the trust taking to improve its SSNAP score?

Fortnightly multi-disciplinary team validation meetings to address SSNAP key fails and learning shared.

8) Does the trust have a 'sophistication index'? E.g. A sophistication index shows the trust's ability to approve and implement projects

No.

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

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Yours faithfully

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