



FOI REF: 24/511

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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:

- The NHS Board and location (City, Town, or suburb) of all currently operational SDECs (highlighting whether they are permanent buildings, temporary/mobile units or refurbished existing estates) at your Board.**

- East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust – Eastbourne District Hospital - Main hospital site.
- East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust – Conquest Hospital Hastings – Main hospital site.

- The NHS Board and location (City, Town, or suburb) of all planned permanent, temporary or refurbished SDECs that are not yet operational at your Board.**

None.

- What is the maximum patient occupancy of the SDEC (number of patients in chairs or number of patients in beds)?**

CONQ SDEC	EDGH
7 Waiting room chairs	9 Waiting room chairs
8 Recliners	5 Recliner chairs
2 trolleys (in treatment rooms)	5 Trolleys
	4 Couches (in treatment rooms)

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**4. How many admissions does the SDEC manage each month (2024 data)?**

Month	SDEC Units - Tot Adm		
	CONQ	EDGH	TOT
Jan-24	456	693	1149
Feb-24	400	698	1098
Mar-24	452	799	1251
Apr-24	424	663	1087
May-24	445	758	1203
Jun-24	378	714	1092

**\*\* Please note total admissions that SDEC units manage, include all activity going through the SDEC units (non-elective, elective and ward attenders).**

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](mailto: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.

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The Information Commissioner's Office  
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Yours sincerely

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