

FOI REF: 25/298

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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:

**I would like to submit a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) regarding cases of food poisoning due to incorrect identification or inappropriate preparation of wild food.**

**Please provide the relevant information for the period between 1 April 2020 and the most recent date for which data is available.**

Please note that the Trust does not record Food Poisoning caused by 'wild food'. There is a code used for 'Food Poisoning', which is used for A&E attendances, but this does not include the source of the poisoning (for example, wild food or foraging etc) and it does not include the location where the food was obtained or consumed.

- a. A yearly breakdown of the number of cases of food poisoning due to incorrect identification or inappropriate preparation of wild food.**

Not applicable.

- b. The type of wild food that caused the food poisoning (for example: fungi, plant, berries, etc...). Please include the specific species if known.**

Not applicable.

- c. The symptoms experienced by the patient and the recovery time (for example: overnight stay or discharged within a couple hours)**

Not applicable.

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**d. The location where this food was picked.**

Not applicable.

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.

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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Yours sincerely

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