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Thank you for your request concerning delayed discharges.

Your request has been considered and processed in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

- 1) Please state the five longest delays (in days) which patients who were ready for discharge, have had before they were able to leave the hospital during the period from January 1st 2015 to date.

Please provide delays in terms of the time period that these patients were actually in delay, stripping out periods of time within a delay period that a patient was too sick to discharge.

However, if you only record delays including these periods, or stripping out these periods would trigger a cost exemption under the FOIA, please provide an amalgamated delay figure, clearly caveating that you have done this.

For each of these delayed discharges, please state:

Delayed Discharge in Days	The age of the person concerned	The original reason for admission to hospital	The reason for the delayed discharge	The date on which the patient was ready for discharge	The date on which they were in fact discharged
* Please see below caveat					
821	57	Mental Health issues	All awaiting residential home or suitable placement	08/08/2013	Not discharged
649	21			22/06/2015	Not discharged
620	34			02/04/2015	13/12/2016
609	38			08/06/2015	06/02/2017
362	61			28/05/2015	27/06/2016

\* Currently our electronic patient recording (EPR) system does not capture the delayed transfer of care (DTC) information. We collate this data via multiple spreadsheets (sent to us on a weekly basis) by the individual services. Therefore the delayed discharged days quoted above may not be accurate.

From 1st April 2017, we will have a process in place, where clinical staff will be able to validate the figures.

- 2) **On 28th February 2017, how many of your acute beds were occupied by people who were ready for discharge?**

17 \* (please see above caveat)

- 3) **What percentage of your overall number of acute beds were being used by people who were ready for discharge?**

Below 15% \* (please see above caveat)

- 4) **Have you had to open extra transitional, reablement or similar beds to meet the additional demand caused by delayed discharges?**

No

- 5) **If yes, please state how many beds and the cost per day of providing these.**

Not applicable

Should you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please find enclosed an information sheet regarding copyright protection and the Trust's complaints procedure in the event that you are not satisfied with the response.

Yours sincerely

*Sue Smith*

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**FOI/DPA Officer**

Enc: Copyright Protection and Complaints Procedure Information Leaflet.

If you would like to complete a short survey in relation to your Freedom of Information request please scan the QR code below or click [here](#).

