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Date Received: 4th August 2023

Response Due: 1st September 2023

Date: 29th August 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

## You asked:

1. The number of patients admitted to hospital with severe dental distress every month between 01/01/2023 and 31/07/2023.

The Trust currently does not retain the information at the level required to fulfil this part of the request. The code used for dental admissions relates to tooth decay and does not distinguish severity.

2. The number of patients admitted to hospital with tooth decay every month between 01/01/2023 and 31/07/2023.

	2023							
Question 2 – Tooth Decay Admissions 2023	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Total
Number of admissions	54	58	50	34	66	47	84	393

3. The total number of patients admitted to hospital every month between 01/01/2023 and 31/07/2023.

	2023							
Question 3 – All	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Total
Admissions 2023				_				
Number of admissions	6201	5867	6978	6231	7135	7161	6877	46450

4. The number of patients admitted to hospital with severe dental distress every month between 01/01/2019 and 31/07/2019.

The Trust currently does not retain the information at the level required to fulfil this part of the request. The code used for dental admissions relates to tooth decay and does not distinguish severity.

5. The number of patients admitted to hospital with tooth decay every month between 01/01/2019 and 31/07/2019.

	2023							
Question 5	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Total
Number of admissions	103	87	83	96	77	78	61	585

6. The total number of patients admitted to hospital every month between 01/01/2019 and 31/07/2019.

	2023							
Question	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Total
Number of admissions	7423	6790	7202	6901	7182	6961	7280	49739

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Mundon

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The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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