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Subject: Medical treatment of foreign nationals

## REQUEST

I am writing to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act regarding the medical treatment of foreign nationals in your hospital/trust.

I request disclosure of every unpaid bill for treating foreign nationals (non EU/EEA citizens) for the financial years 2012/2013 and 2013/14.

For each case I require:

the date of the treatment, the nature of the treatment, the nationality of the patient, the sex of the patient, the age of the patient, the hospital where the treatment was carried out, the amount the treatment cost (estimation is fine), the amount of the treatment cost recovered by the hospital from the patient, if possible an indication of whether the remaining bill for treatment is still being actively sought or has been written-off

## RESPONSE

We are unable to provide all the information you require as to release this data could lead to the identification of the person(s) involved due to the low numbers involved, and would breach the Trusts obligations under the Data Protection Act 1998. Accordingly, this aspect of your request is exempt from disclosure under the terms of Section 40(2) of the Act.

We can give you, however, some high level summaries as show below:

### Bills raised in 2012/13 to 2013/14 – total unpaid by specialty area

	£000
Trauma & Orthopaedics	4
Respiratory	3
Paediatrics	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>

### Bills raised in 2012/13 to 2013/14 – total unpaid by patient nationality

	£000
USA & Canada	8

**Bills raised in 2012/13 to 2013/14 – total unpaid male/female**

	<b>£000</b>
Male	0
Female	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>

**Bills raised in 2012/13 to 2013/14 – total unpaid analysed between written-off and still being sought**

	<b>£000</b>
Being sought	7
Written off	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>