

Freedom of Information Act 2000 disclosure log entry

Reference

16-17374

Date sent

30/03/2017

Subject

ID Verification of Foreign nationals

Details of enquiry

1 Prior to April 2017, did the Trust have policy the requesting of identification of foreign nationals prior to providing care?

2 In the 12 months to April 2017, did employees or others providing Trust services check any patients' passports before giving them care?

If so

2a Which services?

2b How many patients were asked for identification in the 12 months to April 2017

2c How many were asked to provide passports

2d How many those asked to provide identification did not go on to seek care?

3 What preparations did you make for the new up-front charges for non-emergency care from April 2017?

To clarify these are the changes outlined in

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/overseas-visitors-and-migrants-extending-charges-for-nhs-services>

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/590027/Cons_Response_cost_recovery.pdf

4 What projections or estimates have been made of

4a The cost of implementation?

4b The revenue it will bring in?

4c The potential to deter people from seeking care and consequences on their health and public health?

4d Compliance with equality and discrimination rules?

5 How do you collect charges for overseas patients after care? Do you have figures and are they available for the cost of doing this, the revenue it brought in, the number of people contacted and the number who paid in the 12 months to April 2016?

Response Sent

1. *Prior to April 2017, did the Trust have policy the requesting of identification of foreign nationals prior to providing care?*

No

2. *In the 12 months to April 2017, did employees or others providing Trust services check any patients' passports before giving them care?*

No

If so

- a. *Which services?*

See above. Question is Not Applicable

- b. *How many patients were asked for identification in the 12 months to April 2017*

See above. Question is Not Applicable

- c. *How many were asked to provide passports*

See above. Question is Not Applicable

- d. *How many those asked to provide identification did not go on to seek care?*

See above Question is Not Applicable

2. *What preparations did you make for the new up-front charges for non-emergency care from April 2017?*

This question is not applicable. This Trust does not provide a walk-in service and assessment and treatment is by accepted referral and prior appointment only

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3. *What projections or estimates have been made of*
 - a. *The cost of implementation?*
Not applicable. This Trust has no plans to charge for its NHS Services
 - b. *The revenue it will bring in?*
Not applicable. This Trust has no plans to charge for its NHS Services
 - c. *The potential to deter people from seeking care and consequences on their health and public health?*
Not applicable. This Trust has no plans to charge for its NHS Services
 - d. *Compliance with equality and discrimination rules?*
Not applicable. This Trust has no plans to charge for its NHS Services
4. How do you collect charges for overseas patients after care? Do you have figures and are they available for the cost of doing this, the revenue it brought in, the number of people contacted and the number who paid in the 12 months to April 2016?
Not applicable. This Trust did not charge for its NHS Services