

Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – ROYAL INFIRMARY OF EDINBURGH INTENSIVE CARE UNIT

I write in response to your request for information in relation to the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh Intensive Care Unit in NHS Lothian.

Question:

1. Please disclose the full amount in cost in total to keep one person in a hospital bed for one day (24 hours) on 23/09/2022 at The Edinburgh Royal Infirmary intensive care unit.

Answer:

The average cost is £3,300 per day. This includes all direct staffing and non staff costs and a share of indirect costs (overheads) such as utilities.

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2. Please disclose the number of hospital beds in total on 23/09/2022 at The Edinburgh Royal Infirmary intensive care unit specifically and how many of them were occupied and how many were not occupied for that full 24 hour period.

3. Please disclose the number of hospital beds in total on 23/09/2022 at the Royal Edinburgh Infirmary at its intensive care unit that were sought for patients within that 24 hour period.

4. Please disclose the same statistics asked at A, B and C for the dates of the 24th and 25th of September 2022 as well.

Answer:

The average cost of a critical care stay calculated for the year and is the same for these dates.

The table below details the information you have requested for the dates 23-25 September 2022 in the critical care wards 116 and 118 at the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh.

Critical Care Beds (wards 116 and 118), Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh			
Date	Total beds	Occupied beds	Admissions sought
23/09/2022	40	38	7
24/09/2022	40	39	8
25/09/2022	40	40	9

I hope the information provided helps with your request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner within 6 months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by using the Scottish Information Commissioner's Office online appeals service at www.itspublicknowledge.info/appeal. If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner's response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to the reviewer at the address at the top of this letter. The review will be undertaken by a Reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.

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Yours sincerely

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