

RE: Freedom of Information Request 201718 / 022 – Mental Health Delayed Discharges

Your Query	Date of Request	April 2017
<p data-bbox="97 517 1422 584">The following freedom of information act request is about delayed discharges from your mental health inpatient units.</p> <p data-bbox="148 636 1461 703">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.</p> <p data-bbox="196 730 1385 797">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.</p> <p data-bbox="196 824 1445 925">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.</p> <p data-bbox="202 952 877 985">For each of these delayed discharges, please state:</p> <ul data-bbox="248 1012 1007 1285" style="list-style-type: none">i) The age of the person concerned.ii) The original reason for admission to hospital.iii) The reason for the delayed discharge.iv) The date on which the patient was ready for discharge.v) The date on which they were in fact discharged. <p data-bbox="97 1373 1422 1440">2) i) On 28th February 2017, how many of your acute beds were occupied by people who were ready for discharge?</p> <p data-bbox="97 1467 1466 1534">ii) What percentage of your overall number of acute beds were being used by people who were ready for discharge?</p> <p data-bbox="228 1561 1449 1628">iii) Have you had to open extra transitional, rehabilitation or similar beds to meet the additional demand caused by delayed discharges?</p> <p data-bbox="228 1655 1251 1688">iv) If yes, please state how many beds and the cost per day of providing these.</p>		
Response		
<p data-bbox="97 1771 1193 1805">NHS Orkney does not have mental health inpatient units present on any of our sites.</p>		