

Request title: Paediatric Allergy Clinics

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Further to your Freedom of Information request, the Trust has answered your questions in the order they appear in your request.

Request and reply

- a. How many paediatric allergy clinics (or similar service set up for people with allergies, but under a different name) were being run each month at your hospitals in:
- i. 2005
There was a weekly session which was held on the day case unit of the Paediatric Ward. However, in 2005 the Trust did not have any specific outpatient clinic code(s) in relation to allergy clinics and so this patient group (if not seen within the day case unit clinic session) would have been seen within the general paediatric clinics and as a result of this it is not possible for the Trust to fully answer this question.
 - ii. 2010
A specific outpatient clinic code was introduced in September 2009 for an allergy clinic and therefore the Trust can confirm that there was one regular weekly clinic.
 - iii. 2015 (or the nearest date at which statistic are known)
One outpatient clinic per week and approximately 35 day case allergy sessions per year.

(NB: Please specify whether the figures relate to an allergy clinic, or an allergy and asthma clinic)
Asthma clinics are completely separate, these are allergy clinic but of course we treat the asthma in the allergy patients at the same time.
- b. How many children were registered at your hospitals as being under the care of an allergy clinic or allergy nurse in:
- i. 2005
Based on the explanation provided above, the Trust can confirm that there were a total of 142 patients seen in likely clinics that were held on the Paediatric Ward, although the Trust cannot be 100% sure which of those clinics might relate to allergies and if all of the 142 patients were seen at those clinics for allergies.
 - ii. 2010
There were 104 Patients.
 - iii. 2015 (or the nearest date at which statistic are known)
There were 102 Patients.