

Request title: Non-UK Resident Patient Costs

Date of Response: 22nd March 2016

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

Request and reply

- 1) The name of your trust
Royal Devon & Exeter NHS Foundation Trust
- 2) Since 1st April 2015 until 1st March 2016 how many patients using your services have been identified as not 'ordinarily resident' in the UK under the Department of Health guidelines on 'Guidance on implementing the overseas visitor hospital charging regulations 2015'? See link below
https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/496951/Overseas_visitor_hospital_charging_accs.pdf
A total of 730 patients were identified during the requested timeframe.
- 3) Since 1st April 2015 until 1st March 2016 how much money has the Trust spent on the care of patients identified as not 'ordinarily resident' in the UK?
The Trust is unable to provide an answer to this question as its reporting systems do not currently record cost data at patient level.
- 4) Since 1st April 2015 until 1st March 2016 out of those patients identified as not 'ordinarily resident' in the UK, how much money has the Trust claimed back for their care?
The Trust has reclaimed £130,256 directly from patients and £84,909.20 through European Health Insurance Card claims to the EEA, making a total of £215,165.20 during the requested timeframe. However, not all services are chargeable under the 'Guidance on implementing the overseas visitor hospital charging regulations 2015' and the amount that the Trust is able to reclaim is based on the tariff charge and not the actual cost.
- 5) Since 1st April 2015 until 1st March 2016 out of those patients identified as not 'ordinarily resident' in the UK, how many have been asked to repay the costs for their care?
A total of 79 patients were identified during the requested timeframe.
- 6) Since 1st April 2015 until 1st March 2016 out of those patients identified as not 'ordinarily resident' in the UK, how many of those who have been asked to repay the costs for their care have not yet paid?
A total of 37 patients were identified during the requested timeframe.