FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

RF23-675

We can confirm East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust (EKHUFT) holds the information you have requested. Please see the responses in bold below.

1. How many patient safety incidents, related to medication errors, were reported through your local risk management system in the past five financial years as follows:

    a. 2022/23 - **2629**

    b. 2021/22 - **2361**

    c. 2020/21 - **2028**

    d. 2019/20 - **1984**

    e. 2018/19 - **1857**

2. What percentage of inpatients at your trust received a reconciled list of medications within 24 hours of admission, in line with NICE guidance, in each of the following years:

    Data is a snapshot at the end of each year. This not the full Medicines Reconciliation rate but within 24 hours.

    a. 2022/23 – **35%**

    b. 2021/22 – **52%**

    c. 2020/21 – **52%**

    d. 2019/20 – **25%**

    e. 2018/19 – **22%**

3. Please can you provide the number of full-time equivalent pharmacists and pharmacy technicians per 100 beds in your trust, and the vacancy rate for each, in the past five financial years as follows:

    This is the number of staff that are employed at the end of each year. Benchmarking includes trainees.

    a. 2022/23 - **Pharmacists 7.5 / 100 beds and technicians 6.4 / 100 beds vacancy rate in department 11.3% (note includes pharmacy assistants)**

    b. 2021/22 - **Pharmacists 6.8 / 100 beds and technicians 5.5 / 100 beds Vacancy rate in department <5%**

    c. 2020/21 - **Pharmacists 6.3 / 100 beds and technicians 5.4 / 100 beds vacancy rate in dept <5%**

    d. 2019/20 - **Pharmacists 5.1/ 100 beds and technicians 5.11 / 100 beds vacancy rate in department <5%**

    e. 2018/19 - **Pharmacists 5.3 / 100 beds and technicians 4.15 / 100 beds vacancy rate in department <5%**

4. What percentage of inpatient beds at your trust were visited daily by pharmacists and pharmacy technicians in the past five financial years as follows:

    a. 2022/23 – **50%**

b.   2021/22 – **50%**

c.   2020/21 – **50%**

d.   2019/20 – **40%**

e.   2018/19 – **50%**

(DATE OF RESPONSE: 27 NOVEMBER 2023)