

21 August 2018

Our Ref: RFI 24395

Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000
Information in relation to people seeking treatment for jellyfish stings**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for information relating to the above which you requested on 24 July 2018.

A response to each of the questions raised has been provided by the Planning, Performance & Informatics Directorate and is attached in Appendix A.

If you are unhappy as to how this request has been handled, you have the right to seek a review within the Trust in the first instance. You should write to the Information Governance Department, Lough House, Ards Community Hospital (informationgovernance@setrust.hscni.net) within two months of the date of this response and your complaint will be considered and a response provided, within 20 working days of receipt.

If, after receiving a response, you remain unhappy, you can refer your complaint to the Information Commissioner at The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. It is important to note that if you refer any matter to the Information Commissioner, you will need to show evidence of having gone through the Trust's internal review procedure to try to resolve the matter with the Trust in the first instance.

If you have any queries about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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Information Governance Assistant

Q. How many people have been treated by South Eastern Trust so far this year for jellyfish stings? How many were adults and how many were children?

How many adults and children were treated for jellyfish stings in the years 2017, 2016, 2015?

A. Please find response provided in Table 1 below. The figures given for 2018 are from 1st January 2018 until 30th June 2018.

You will note that some of the numbers have been masked and this is due to small numbers within a small geographical area

Table 1

Emergency Department Attendances					
Age	14 or under	15-17	18+		
	Not Admitted	Not Admitted	Admitted	Not Admitted	Sum:
Y2015	0	0	<10	0	<10
Y2016	<10	0	0	<10	<10
Y2017	<10	<10	0	0	<10
Y2018	0	0	0	<10	<10
Sum:	10	<10	<10	<10	16