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Dear Mr Wilson

Freedom of Information Request Reference FOI 1097641

Thank you for your request dated 11 September 2017 in which you asked the Department of Health (DH):

"Freedom of Information request - Total number of private and NHS hospitals in the UK

Could you please provide the following under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

The total number of private hospitals in the UK The total number of NHS hospitals in the UK The total number of NHS trust and how many hospitals are under that trust in the UK"

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

DH does not hold this information.

A list of NHS Trusts in England is available on the NHS Choices website here: http://www.nhs.uk/servicedirectories/pages/nhstrustlisting.aspx

The information on the NHS Choices website is provided by NHS Digital, which may publish lists of trusts in other formats, and containing other information. NHS Digital can be contacted at <a href="mailto:english:e

Please note that the above information relates to the NHS in England only. Details of how to contact the health administrations of Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland are available here:

Wales: http://wales.gov.uk/topics/health/?lang=en

Scotland: http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Health

Northern Ireland: http://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/index.htm

If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to appeal by asking for an internal review. This should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to the address at the top of this letter, or the email address at the end of this letter.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may complain directly to the Information Commissioner (ICO) who may decide to investigate your concerns. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have already appealed our original response, and received our internal review response. The ICO will not usually investigate concerns where there has been an undue delay in bringing it to their attention. You should raise your concerns with them within three months of your last meaningful contact with us.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

https://ico.org.uk/concerns/

Yours sincerely,

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