

FOI_1412_2023-24 – FOI Request NHS hospital pharmacy services

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

1388 medication incidents

b. 2021/22

1378 medication incidents

c. 2020/21

1178 medication incidents

d. 2019/20

1379 medication incidents

e. 2018/19

993 medication incidents

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:

We only hold data for within 48hours of admission which is our locally agreed standard.

a. 2022/23

99%

b. 2021/22

98%

c. 2020/21

99%

d. 2019/20

98%

e. 2018/19

no data

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:

a. 2022/23

23 Pharmacists (3% vacant), 16 Pharmacy Technicians (4% vacant)

b. 2021/22

17 Pharmacists (4% vacant), 13 Pharmacy Technicians (5% vacant)

c. 2020/21

11 Pharmacists (6% vacant), 11 Pharmacy Technicians (6% vacant)

d. 2019/20

11 Pharmacists (6% vacant), 10 Pharmacy Technicians (7% vacant)

e. 2018/19

11 Pharmacists (6% vacant), 10 Pharmacy Technicians (7% vacant)

All above are per 100 in-patient beds, we have approx. 150 in-patient beds. Vacancy figures are approximate as we do not hold accurate data.

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

90%

b. 2021/22

90%

c. 2020/21

90%

d. 2019/20

90%

e. 2018/19

90%