

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Request Ref: NGFOI 19/20: 158

Thank you for your request for information received at Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust (NGH) on 18/06/2019.

Please list the number of people between 2011 and 2018 to have died in your hospitals after being placed on end-of-life care which resulted in a DNAR order being introduced. Please break down the figures year by year.

To help us to answer your request appropriately, please could you clarify what you define as ‘end-of-life’?

All expected deaths would have a DNACPR in place. Some of these will have been issued closer to death than others. Some may have already been in place (i.e. prior to coming into hospital or before becoming “end of life”) as part of existing care or patient choice, either in the community or in acute care.

Please list the number of DNAR orders issued by your hospitals each year between 2011 and 2018. Please break down the figures year by year.

I can confirm on behalf of the Trust and in accordance with S.1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) that we do not collate the information you have requested in a centralised system. To be able to provide this information we would need to look back through every set of notes for the timescale given to ascertain if a DNACPR was completed for that patient. We estimate that the amount of time required to extract and provide the information as requested would exceed the 18 hours permitted for an individual FOI request.

Please list the number of complaints your hospitals have received over the introduction of DNAR orders between 2011 and 2018. Please break down the figures year by year. Please provide as much detail as possible on what was being complained about.

2011 – 0
2012 – 0
2013 – 0
2014 – *
2015 – 0
2016 – 0
2017 - *
2018 – *

***Due to the low numbers involved the exact figures have been withheld under the Freedom of Information Act, Exemption Section 40. This is to protect the identity of the individuals concerned and to preserve their rights under the Data Protection Act.**