

Ref FOI17 113
Date 19 April 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Please find below/attached the Isle of Wight NHS Trust's response to your request.

1. How many falls prevention teams does your trust operate?

There has been no formal commissioning of a defined falls team on the Island. Our acute and community teams work with people who have sustained a fall and offer appropriate management but this is not within the framework of a specialist and discreet team.

2. How many of these falls prevention teams include a podiatrist? Please state the number of podiatrists employed within each falls prevention team.

No defined falls teams exist. If a person is identified as requiring a podiatry opinion this may be accessed via GP referral across the Island.

3. How many of these falls prevention teams are led by a podiatrist?

No teams, therefore not applicable.

4. If the trust does not operate any falls prevention teams, please provide a reason for this.

Currently there is no formal commissioning of a defined falls team on the Island. Our acute and community teams work with people who have sustained a fall and offer appropriate management but this is not within the framework of a specialist and discreet team.

5. How many patients have been diagnosed with rheumatological conditions in your Trust in: (a) 2012/13, (b) 2013/14, (c) 2014/15, (d) 2015/16

	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	Grand Total
Rheumatological Admissions	558	661	794	1124	3137

Data as at 04/04/2017

Codes are indexed under the general term rheumatoid.

6. How many of those patients were referred to podiatry services following their rheumatological diagnoses in (i) 2012/13, (ii) 2013/14, (iii) 2014/15, (iv) 2015/16

We do not have the data to be assured that there is a link between Rheumatological Condition and Podiatry Referral.

The Isle of Wight NHS Trust came into existence on 1 April 2012 and does not hold information prior to this date. If you require information prior to this date, please contact the Department of Health.

Please note that this response does not constitute consent for direct marketing.

The Isle of Wight NHS Trust serves a resident population of 140,000 with a substantial influx of tourists during the summer months. The Trust provides acute, ambulance, community, maternity, mental health services on the Isle of Wight. As the only fully integrated service provider in England with this unique range of services comparisons with other service providers are not always straightforward.

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Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you have any further questions.

Yours faithfully

Freedom of Information Team