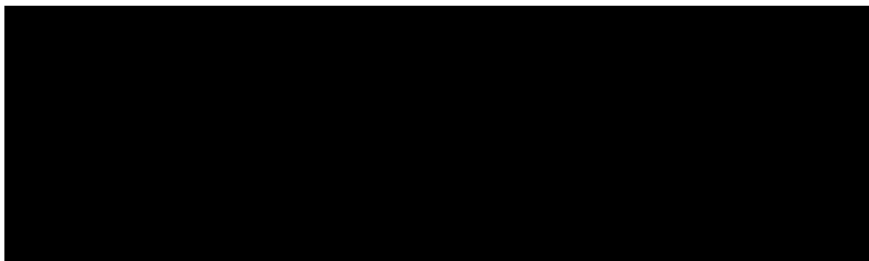


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### Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request of 20 June 2019 under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) for:

*"I am wanting information regards the number of persons over the age of 20 who had hospital admissions for a brain tumour located on the fourth ventricle.. within the previous ten years."*

The number of publicly funded hospital discharges from 2008 to 2018 with a primary diagnosis of malignant neoplasm of the brain stem is outlined below. Included is a column which shows the number of distinct people hospitalised during that year. Please note, that if a person was hospitalised in more than one year then they would be counted in both years, which explains why there are more people hospitalised in a year than were diagnosed.

Year	Number of discharges	Distinct People Hospitalised
2008	8	7
2009	6	6
2010	12	9
2011	15	12
2012	17	13
2013	10	5
2014	7	6
2015	15	10
2016	9	7
2017	9	7
2018	6	4

I trust this fulfils your request. You have the right, under section 28 of the Act, to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request.

Please be aware that this response (with your personal details removed) may be published on the Ministry of Health website.

Yours sincerely



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