

FOI 3581

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## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST**

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**Whether Halal-certified food is currently provided to service users attending Day Care services operated by the Trust.**

**Response:**

Halal certified food options are available for service users attending Day Centres within the Southern Trust if required.

**Whether Halal-certified food is currently provided to inpatients, outpatients, or service users at Daisy Hill Hospital.**

**Response:**

Halal certified food options are available for inpatients and day patients at Daisy Hill Hospital if required.

**Details of which departments, wards, or units within Day Care services and Daisy Hill Hospital provide Halal food options.**

**Response:**

Halal food options are available to request in all the Disability and Older People Day Centres and every ward / departments at Daisy Hill Hospital where meals are provided. A breakdown of the wards and departments where meals are provided is as follows;

Daisy Hill Hospital

Maternity  
Paediatrics Ward  
Elective Surgery & Gynae  
5 North  
5 South  
Stroke Rehab  
Emergency Dept  
Older People's Assessment Unit  
Short Stay Unit  
Enhanced Care  
Ambulatory Ward  
Discharge Lounge

Acute Medical Unit  
Day Clinical Centre  
Coronary Care Unit  
Renal Unit

Day Care Facilities

Orchard Centre  
Donard Centre  
Edenderry Day Centre  
Crozier Day Centre  
The Meadows  
Clogher Day Centre  
Annvale Day Centre  
Lisanally Day Centre  
Windsor Day Centre  
The Laurels Day Centre  
Crossmaglen SEC  
Millview Resouce Centre  
Binnian Lodge  
Linenbridge Day Centre  
Bannvale Social Education Centre  
Manor Social Education Centre  
Oakridge Day Centre  
Station Road Day Centre  
McCague Day Centre  
Islandview Day Centre  
Appleby Day Centre

**Copies of any policies, procedures, guidelines, or catering contracts relating to the provision of Halal food for service users at these locations.**

**Response:**

Halal food is not included in the specification for food contracts but it is currently available from our current suppliers. Catering Services do not have any written guidance relating to the provision of Halal food, however if Halal food is requested staff would check the packaging or product datasheet to ensure suitability.

**Information on how Halal compliance is ensured, including any certification standards or external suppliers used.**

**Response:**

Halal food is not included in the specification for food contracts. Business Services Organisation (BSO) overview the procurement process within the HSC and food served in facilities within the Southern Trust is purchased from suppliers that have been awarded contracts.

**A summary of any complaints, concerns, or formal feedback received in the last three years regarding the provision (or lack) of Halal food at Day Care services or Daisy Hill Hospital (anonymised where necessary).**

**Response:**

Daisy Hill Catering Services and Day Care Centres have not received any complaints, concerns, or formal feedback in the last three years regarding the provision (or lack) of Halal food.

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