

FOI 3647

16th March 2026

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

I am writing to make a Freedom of Information request for monthly data for 2024 and 2025, as well as overall totals, regarding ammonia testing and sample rejection for Daisy Hill Hospital. Specifically, I am requesting:

1. Number of patients presenting to the hospital
2. Number of ammonia tests requested, broken down as follows:
 - a. Adults in A&E
 - b. Paediatrics in A&E
 - c. Adults in inpatient wards (excluding A&E)
 - d. Paediatrics in inpatient wards (excluding A&E)
3. Number of ammonia tests rejected by the laboratory

Response:

Summary of Ammonia requests DHH between April 2024 and March 2025

Total DHH Ammonia requests = 86 Inpatient and 14 Out Patient

Adults in ED = 20

Paeds in ED = 5

Adult inpatient (non ED) = 38

Paed Inpatient (non ED) = 23

Total rejected samples = 6

Break down by month

	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	totals
ED Adult	4	0	0	2	5	3	1	1	0	1	2	1	20
ED Paed	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	5
IP Adult	5	2	3	1	0	2	4	5	3	1	4	8	38
IP Paed	0	0	3	2	2	0	3	2	1	4	4	2	23
Rejections	0	0	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	6

Summary of data for DHH Ammonia requests April 2025 to Feb 2026

	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26	Totals
Paediatric Patients					2	3	1	3	3	5	5	6	2	3		33
Adult Patients				1	7	13	3	8	11	11	4	8	15	10		91
Adult Patients - Source Unknown (CAH/DHH)										1	4	2	1	2		10
ED - Paediatric Patients											1			1		2
ED - Adult Patients					3	6	2	1	3	1	1	1	2	5		25
In Patients - Paediatric					2	3	1	3	3	5	4	6	2	2		31
In Patients - Adult				1	3	7	1	7	7	10	3	7	12	5		63
Rejected - DHH					3	2		1	2	0	3		2			13
Rejected - Source Unknown (CAH/DHH)												3		1		4
Rejected - DHH profile REJH, REJP										1	1		1			3

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