

Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act – 2020.389
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Thank you for your email dated 17 January 2020, requesting information regarding Operational Pressures Escalation Levels Framework (OPEL).

Please find detailed below a summary of your request, together with our response.

Summary of your request:

Please send me:

1) Did any hospitals in your trust declare OPEL - Level 4 within the last 30 days of receiving this FOI.

2)

i) If yes which hospitals, or operational sites?

ii) How many times?

iii) The total length of time that that hospitals in your trust were operating under OPEL - level 4

For question 2) iii) could the figure be provided in the following format: DD:HH:MM

If for some reason that is not possible, please make the figure available in an easily readable and consistent manner.

Please see page 12 of this document for information on Level 4 Opel and definitions etc:
<https://www.england.nhs.uk/south-east/wp-content/uploads/sites/45/2018/11/NHSE-SE-OPEL-Framework-V-3.0-October-2018-TV-Only.pdf>

The Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust has not declared OPEL - Level 4 within the last 30 days from receiving this request.