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REQUEST & RESPONSE

I am a Physician Associate Masters student at Bournemouth University and as part of my dissertation project I am evaluating care of vulnerable people with disabilities in emergency settings.

Using Freedom of Information request rights, I would be grateful if you would provide me with answers to the following questions regarding policies and facilities for vulnerable adults being seen in the Emergency Department (ED):

1. Is there a separate waiting area for vulnerable adults with learning difficulties?
No
2. Are responsible adults allowed to accompany vulnerable adults with learning difficulties when they are seen by clinical staff in ED?
Yes
3. Are carers welcome to provide care if needed?
Yes
4. Does your Trust have policies in place to assess capacity to consent to investigations and treatment for adults with learning disabilities? If so, could you supply me with a copy of these policies?



Mental Capacity Act
DOLS Policy.pdf

5. Do you have policies relating to the administration of treatment/pain relief when an adult with learning disability is unable to consent? If so,



Trust Pain
Management Policy.p

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