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Subject:	Norovirus and Winter Stomach Bugs
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Requested

1. The number of patients admitted to hospital during the October and December period for each of the last 5 years with suspected norovirus or other 'winter stomach bugs.
2. The number of outbreaks of the norovirus or other gastrointestinal outbreaks that are recorded as occurring within hospitals during that October to December period of the last 5 years.

Response:

1. The table below provides the number of patients who were admitted to Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) hospitals between October and December of the last 5 calendar years suffering from Norovirus or another winter stomach bug.

	Date	Total
2014	October	168
	November	166
	December	129
2015	October	141
	November	156
	December	110
2016	October	176
	November	147
	December	136
2017	October	165
	November	173
	December	204
2018	October	115
	November	126
	December	152

2. The table below provides the number of outbreaks of Norovirus recorded by the UHB as having occurred within its hospital during October – December of the last five years.

Calendar Year	Number of outbreaks
2014	1
2015	0
2016	3
2017	2
2018	2