

Ref: FOI/CAD/ID 3810

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**Freedom of Information Act 2000**

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Patient deaths.

- 1a) total number of deaths that have occurred at the Trust in each of the last five years (please provide data broken down by year)
  - 1b) the number of these deaths that were classified as unexpected
  - 2a) total number of deaths that have been referred to the Coroner by the Trust in each of the last five years
  - 2b) of these, the number of deaths of patients with a learning disability referred to the Coroner
  - 3a) total number of deaths of patients with a learning disability that have occurred at the Trust in each of the last five years (please provide total number and indicate whether they were inpatients at the time of their deaths)
  - 3b) of these, the number of these deaths of patients with a learning disability that were classified as unexpected
  - 4a) total number of deaths at the Trust reported as an incident on the National Reporting and Learning System (NRLS) in each of the last five years
  - 4b) total number of deaths at the Trust reported on Strategic Executive Information System (STEIS) in each of the last five years
  - 4c) if possible, please indicate the number of these that relate to patients with a learning disability
  - 5a) total number of initial 72-hour reviews into deaths (as defined by the NHS Serious Incident Framework) in each of the last five years
  - 5b) total number of investigations into deaths (as defined by the NHS SI Framework) in each of the last five years - please provide data broken down by severity, Level 1 internal investigations, Level 2 comprehensive internal investigations, Level 3 independent investigations. Please also indicate whether the numbers refer to investigations opened or completed.
1. a. & 2a.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total Number of Deaths</u>	<u>Total Number Referred to the Coroner</u>
2012**	1185	130
2013	1615	197

2014	1263	159
2015	1713	192
2016	1831	190

1.b Deaths referred to the coroner can be both expected and unexpected but as a service we do not log this type of information, just the fact they have been referred.

2.b. Deaths referred to the coroner can be both expected and unexpected but as a service we do not log this type of information, just the fact they have been referred.

3.a This information is not held electronically and the Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider this part of your request. The appropriate limit is specified in regulations and represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Trust holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 the Trust is not obliged to comply with this part of your request and we will not be processing this part of your request further.

3.b. This information is not held electronically and the Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider this part of your request. The appropriate limit is specified in regulations and represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Trust holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 the Trust is not obliged to comply with this part of your request and we will not be processing this part of your request further.

4.a, 4.b, 5.a and 5.b

Year	4a	4b	4c	5a	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3 *	Completed
2012	9	5		1	4	1	1	5
2013	13	9		2	5	4	0	9
2014	7	3		1	1	2	0	3
2015	12	7		0	6	2	1	7
2016	5	4		0	4	0	0	4

4 c - unable to answer as information is not captured within incident description

\* All Level 2 that have become Level 3 - Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust carry out own investigation before being requested as Independent Level 3