

Ref: FOI/CAD/ID 4073

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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 Attacks on NHS staff 2012 – 2017.

*1) Please state the number of attacks on staff at each hospital in your trust for each of the financial years (i) 2012-13 (ii) 2013-14 (iii) 2014-15 (iv) 2015-16 (v) 2016-17.*

*If possible within the FOI cost limit, please provide a breakdown of whether the attacks were verbal or physical AND if they involved someone with mental illness or severe learning difficulties.*

*2) How many members of staff received medical treatment after being assaulted on trust premises in each of the following financial years: (i) 2012-13 (ii) 2013-14 (iii) 2014-15 (iv) 2015-16 (v) 2016-17?*

*3) How many times were police called following attacks on staff members at your trust in each of the following financial years: (i) 2012-13 (ii) 2013-14 (iii) 2014-15 (iv) 2015-16 (v) 2016-17?*

*If possible within the FOI cost limit, please state the hospital, where the most police call outs took place – and provide us with a figure for each of the years above.*

*4) How much has your trust spent on security staff (or sub-contractors) in each of the following financial years: (i) 2012-13 (ii) 2013-14 (iii) 2014-15 (iv) 2015-16 (v) 2016-17?*

*5) Do any staff members within your trust (including security guards) currently use body worn video cameras in any form? If possible within the FOI cost limit, please state how many staff are currently using body worn video cameras.*

1. The violence figures, clinical (no capacity) and non-clinical (capacity) assaults for all Trusts can be found using this link.

<https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/crime-prevention/nhs-protect-statistics>.

2016-17 statistics have not been finalised.

2. In order to gather this information the patient notes for each staff member would need to be manually read. 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. In order to gather this information the narrative for each incident report would need to be read. 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.

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(i) 2012-13 not available (ii) 2013-14 £610647 (iii) 2014-15 £692689 (iv) 2015-16 £725670 (v) 2016-17 £739134

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