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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 Violent incidents against staff in A&E.

*You asked:*

*Please can you tell me how many violent incidents against staff at the trust's A&E departments have been recorded each year over the past five years?*

*Please include the nature of the violence (e.g. verbal, physical), whether the police were called and what action was taken against the perpetrator.*

Trust response:

Please note the Trust does not record details of the action taken against the perpetrator.

<b>01/01/2014 - 31/12/2014</b>	<b>Resolved Locally - Police called</b>	<b>Security/Porters called - Police called</b>	<b>Resolved Locally - Police not called</b>	<b>Security/Porters called - Police not called</b>
Security - Assault with a weapon	0	1	0	2
Security - Non-physical assault (threats to assault and threatening behaviour)	0	0	0	0
Security - Other disruptive behaviour	0	2	1	9
Security - Physical assault	0	5	1	8
Security - Racial abuse	0	0	0	1
Security - Sexual abuse	1	0	0	0
Security - Verbal abuse (swearing or other discriminatory language)	0	1	0	8
<b>01/01/2015 - 31/12/2015</b>	<b>Resolved Locally - Police called</b>	<b>Security/Porters called - Police called</b>	<b>Resolved Locally - Police not called</b>	<b>Security/Porters called - Police not called</b>
Security - Assault with a weapon	0	1	0	0
Security - Non-physical assault (threats to assault and threatening behaviour)	1	6	0	7

Security - Other disruptive behaviour	0	5	1	6
Security - Physical assault	0	9	3	8
Security - Racial abuse	0	0	0	0
Security - Sexual abuse	0	0	0	1
Security - Verbal abuse (swearing or other discriminatory language)	0	0	2	2
<b>01/01/2016 - 31/12/2016</b>	<b>Resolved Locally - Police called</b>	<b>Security/Porters called - Police called</b>	<b>Resolved Locally - Police not called</b>	<b>Security/Porters called - Police not called</b>
Security - Assault with a weapon	0	1	0	1
Security - Non-physical assault (threats to assault and threatening behaviour)	0	2	0	4
Security - Other disruptive behaviour	0	2	0	1
Security - Physical assault	0	11	3	12
Security - Racial abuse	0	0	0	1
Security - Sexual abuse	0	0	0	0
Security - Verbal abuse (swearing or other discriminatory language)	0	1	6	4
<b>01/01/2017 - 31/12/2017</b>	<b>Resolved Locally - Police called</b>	<b>Security/Porters called - Police called</b>	<b>Resolved Locally - Police not called</b>	<b>Security/Porters called - Police not called</b>
Security - Assault with a weapon	0	0	0	1
Security - Non-physical assault (threats to assault and threatening behaviour)	0	1	0	4
Security - Other disruptive behaviour	0	0	0	0
Security - Physical assault	0	3	3	11
Security - Racial abuse	0	0	0	0
Security - Sexual abuse	0	0	0	1
Security - Verbal abuse (swearing or other discriminatory language)	0	0	4	4
<b>01/01/2018 - 31/12/2018</b>	<b>Resolved Locally - Police called</b>	<b>Security/Porters called - Police called</b>	<b>Resolved Locally - Police not called</b>	<b>Security/Porters called - Police not called</b>
Security - Assault with a weapon	0	0	0	2
Security - Non-physical assault (threats to assault and threatening behaviour)	0	2	4	5
Security - Other disruptive behaviour	0	0	0	0
Security - Physical assault	0	8	2	4
Security - Racial abuse	0	2	0	1
Security - Sexual abuse	0	0	0	1
Security - Verbal abuse (swearing or other discriminatory language)	0	4	9	13
<b>01/01/2019 - 31/08/2019</b>	<b>Resolved Locally - Police called</b>	<b>Security/Porters called - Police called</b>	<b>Resolved Locally - Police not called</b>	<b>Security/Porters called - Police not called</b>
Security - Assault with a weapon	0	0	0	0
Security - Non-physical assault (threats to assault and threatening behaviour)	0	2	1	4
Security - Other disruptive behaviour	0	0	0	0
Security - Physical assault	0	5	1	3
Security - Racial abuse	0	0	0	1
Security - Sexual abuse	0	0	0	1
Security - Verbal abuse (swearing or other discriminatory language)	0	0	8	7