

Ref: FOI/GS/ID 7523

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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 sexual misconduct and assault.

You asked:

- 1. The number of offences relating to sexual misconduct (including rape, assault, groping, and sexually inappropriate language) that have been reported to your trust in the past five years (up to and including June 2022) A breakdown of this data which details:
- a. The month and year an offence was reported
- b. Who filed the report/complaint (i.e. patient, member of public, or staff member –
- i. please specify if they were aged over or under 18),
- ii. what type of sexual misconduct report/complaint they filed,
- iii. who they filed the report/complaint against i.e. Patient complaining against staff, staff complaining against staff, or staff complaining against patient?
- c. The outcome of a reported offence i.e.
- i. Was the alleged perpetrator disciplined?
- ii. If so, how?
- iii. And by whom?
- iv. Was a payment made?
- v. Or, was the report/complaint dismissed?
- d. How many and which sexual misconduct reports/complaints were reported to the police?

Trust response: Please note the Trust is able to produce cases of overall sexual abuse.

- 1. Please see the following table.
- 1a. Data given as year only due to the small numbers and to reduce the risk of identification under Section 40 of the Act.

1bi. This information is not being released due to the small numbers and the risk of identification under Section 40 of the Act.

1bii. The category on our system for this type of report is Abusive/disruptive/self-harming/violent behaviour.

1biii. This information is shown on the following table.

1ci. It may be possible that this information has been entered into a patients record or staff employment record, but in order to confirm this each patient and staff record would need to be manually checked by an appropriate staff member. 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.

1cii. Please see the response to Q1ci

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	2018	2019	2020	2021	date	
On Staff carried out by a staff Member	0	1	0	1		0
On Staff carried out by a patient or visitor	0	2	3	8		1
By Staff on a Patient	0	0	0	0		0
By Staff on a visitor	0	0	0	0		0
On Staff carried out by a visitor	0	0	0	0		0