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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 incidents of physical assaults on hospital staff.

You asked:

- 1. Please could you provide me the number of incidents of physical assaults on hospital staff for the calendar years 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018?
- 2. How many of the assaults were recorded in A&E departments?
- 3. How many times were police called out in the years stated above to deal with an assault on hospital staff?

Trust response:

1.

2018 170

2019 165

2020 168

2021 193

2022 216

2.

2018 16

2019 13

2020 32

2021 20

2022 32

3. The Trust is unable to answer this question. Once the Police become involved they would deal directly with the victim. Regardless that they are members of staff, it becomes a Police matter; as it is victim based.