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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 safety incidents.

*You asked: All questions are shown as received by the Trust.  
Total sexual safety incidents*

*1. How many sexual safety incidents did the trust record? (This includes incidents by all alleged perpetrators against all alleged victims: staff, patients, visitors, members of the public)*

*1.1 in 2022/23 financial year*

*1.2 in 2023/24 financial year*

*Sexual safety incidents by staff against patients*

*2. How many sexual safety incidents allegedly perpetrated by staff against patients did the trust record?*

*2.1 in 2022/23 financial year*

*2.2 in 2023/24 financial year*

*Sexual violence and misconduct by patients against other patients*

*3. How many sexual safety incidents allegedly perpetrated by patients against other patients did the trust record?*

*3.1 in 2022/23 financial year*

*3.2 in 2023/24 financial year*

*Sexual safety incidents by patients against staff*

*4. How many sexual safety incidents allegedly perpetrated by patients against staff did the trust record?*

*4.1 in 2022/23 financial year*

*4.2 in 2023/24 financial year*

*Sexual safety incidents by staff against other staff*

*5 How many sexual safety incidents allegedly perpetrated by staff against other staff did the trust record?*

*5.1 in 2022/23 financial year*

*5.2 in 2023/24 financial year*

*Age of alleged victims*

*6. How many of the sexual safety incidents did the trust record where the victim was a patient:*

*6.1 Under 18 (this includes under 16 and under 13)*

*6.2 Under 16 (this includes under 13)*

*6.3 Under 13*

*Please provide figures for the 2022/23 and 2023/24 financial years.*

*7. How many incidents of physical violence perpetrated by patients against staff did the trust record?*

*7.1 in 2022/23 financial year*

*7.2 in 2023/24 financial year*

*Terminology:*

*Sexual safety incidents include any behaviour of a sexual nature that is unwanted, or makes another person feel uncomfortable or afraid. This covers:*

- sexual assault: when a person is coerced or physically forced to engage in sexual activity against their will, or when a person (of any gender) touches another person sexually without their consent.*
- sexual harassment: any behaviour that is characterised by inappropriate sexual remarks, gestures or physical advances which are unwanted and make a person feel uncomfortable, intimidated or degrade their dignity.*
- Other sexual incidents: where an individual may have witnessed or experienced something of a sexual nature that does not fit in to the categories of sexual harassment or assault, and which made the person feel uncomfortable and/or sexually unsafe.*

*Trust response:*

*1, 2, 3, 4 & 5.*

*Under Section 21 of the Act we are not required to provide information in response to a request if the information is already reasonably accessible to you. The information you requested is available from the trust website using the following link/s: <https://www.mtw.nhs.uk/freedom-of-information/recent-foi-responses/> the link should take you to the Data to Support FOI FAQ's page where you need to click on the Assaults, violence and incidents dropdown.*

*Alternatively, from our website home page, click the Freedom of Information Tab, then the Data to Support FOI FAQ's tab and then the Assaults, violence and incidents dropdown at the bottom of the page where you will find all the information. If the document does not open please copy and paste the link into your browser.*

*Please note the spreadsheet takes some time to download.*

This information is updated on a regular basis and is exempt under Section 22 of the Act.

6.

6.1 Zero

6.2 Zero

6.3 Zero

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7.1 in 2022/23 financial year 242

7.2 in 2023/24 financial year 336