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Dear ,

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

We are now pleased to respond to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

You asked:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. In order to assist you with this request, I am outlining my query as specifically as possible:

Q - How many of your employees in your Hospital Trust have been signed off work because of anxiety/stress/depression or other psychiatric illnesses in the past 12 months and every year for the past 5 years? (if the same employee is off over a period where it changes years, please count them once in both years)

Q – Please give the total number days lost due to all staff sickness and ill health in the past 12 months and every year for 5 years?

Q – Please give the total number of days lost due to absences because of anxiety/stress/depression or other psychiatric illnesses in the past 12 months and every year for the past 5 years?

Q - What's the longest time someone has been continuously signed off work at your Hospital Trust, because of anxiety/stress/depression or other psychiatric illnesses?

Q - How much do you estimate it has cost you having your employees signed off because of anxiety/stress/depression or other psychiatric illnesses in the past 12 months and every year for the past 5 years? (i.e. costs of covering staff)

Please see attached

Chairman: Robert Armstrong
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I hope you find this information useful, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 256335. If we do not hear from you within 28 days we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



Rob Forster
Acting Chief Executive

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