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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 would like to request the following information in relation to attacks against the elderly.

More specifically, I would like to know:

1. In 2014, how many elderly patients (those 65 years and older) were admitted to hospital with a diagnosis of the following (ICD 10 codes as indicated):

a) X99 Assault by sharp object

b) Y00 Assault by blunt object

c) Y04 Assault by bodily force

d) Y05 Sexual assault by bodily force

2. Please include the same information as request in 1.a) to d) for the following years:

(1) 2005

(2) 2010

(3) 2012

(4) 2013

Chairman: Robert Armstrong
Chief Executive: Andrew Foster CBE

Refusal Notice: having considered the Public Interest Test, due to the low numbers involved the Trust is applying Section 40 personal data and therefore we are unable to provide any further details.

Due to the low numbers involved there is a high risk that a living individual could be identified from the information that has been requested or from that information and other information that may be available. To disclose this information would:

a) contravene the Data Protection Act principles in that it would amount to unfair and possibly unlawful processing, as there was a legitimate expectation by the third parties that this information would remain confidential, and

b) disclosure may cause damage or distress to the individual(s) involved, and that damage or distress would be unwarranted (section 10 of the DPA).

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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