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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:

How many hospital staff members from your trust have been verbally or physically assaulted or faced sexual aggression in:

- 2012 - 98
- 2013 - 106
- 2014 - 141

Please break down by nature of the incident, by gender (if this is recorded) and in calendar years.

The details are not always within each reported incident, therefore to report on the nature of the incident would be misleading and inaccurate. These are reported physical assaults as per definition by NHS Protect. Gender is not always recorded so we cannot give this information accurately.

2. *How many staff members were forced to take time off as a result of an incident?*

We would not be able to provide this as absence reasons are recorded but not the actual cause of the absence

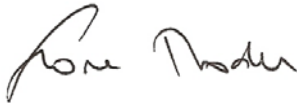
3. *Providing you hold the information and it does not exceed cost limit, please include how many staff members sustained injuries, and any detail you hold regarding the severity of these injuries*

We do not hold this information

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 488271. 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,

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