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Date Received: 15th January 2025

Response Due: 12th February 2025

Date: 11th February 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 15th January 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold part of the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

Dear Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust,

Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am writing to request the following information. This information relates to the NHS England Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response Framework in general and section 7, "NHS incident response levels", in particular. I am requesting this information from the Trust rather than NHS England or the Integrated Care Board because I wish to know what information is held by the Trust.

For clarity I have enumerated the information I am requesting. If you do not hold some of this information then I ask you to confirm explicitly that you do not hold it.

1. Any record held of the number of days the Trust was at Level 1 incident response level between June 2023 and May 2024 inclusive.

From June 2024 to May 2024 inclusive, WWL were at Level 1 incident for 20 days.

2. Any record held of the number of days the Trust was at Level 2 incident response level between June 2023 and May 2024 inclusive.

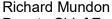
Level 2 incidents are local, involving more than 1 Trust and is led by the ICB lead. Therefore, the Trust does not hold records to show when the ICB have been at a Level 1. A level 2 incident for them would still only be recorded as a Level 1 in our records as we are not the declaring organisation.

3. Any record held of the number of days the Trust was at Level 3 incident response level between June 2023 and May 2024 inclusive.

Level 3 incidents are regional incidents led by NHS Northwest. Therefore, the Trust does not hold records to show when the Region has been at a Level 3. A level 3 incident for them would still only be recorded as a Level 1 in our records as we are not the declaring organisation.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



Deputy Chief Executive

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PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 111