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Date Received: 11th February 2025

Response Due: 11th March 2025

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Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 11th February 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:

1. Can you tell me how many people were treated in WWL trusts from 1990 to present for HIV /Aids please?

Please see the below table.

2. Can you tell me how many people in WWL trusts from 1990 to present were treated for TB? Please see the table below.

Year	HIV/Aids Diagnosis	TB Diagnosis
2010	<5	7
2011	<5	6
2012	<5	<5
2013	<5	5
2014	<5	<5
2015	<5	6
2016	0	<5
2017	<5	<5
2018	0	5
2019	<5	5
2020	5	<5
2021	<5	<5
2022	5	<5
2023	0	<5

2024	5	9
2025	0	<5

*The above figures are based off inpatient admissions only as outpatients does not record a diagnosis. *The Trusts reporting systems only hold data dating back to 2010, therefore 1990 - 2009 is not available.

The Trust has a standard procedure of not releasing information when the data involved is less than 5. This is because we feel that such low numbers could make the individuals involved identifiable and therefore may cause undue harm and distress.

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).

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,

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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