

# Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals

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Date Received: 1<sup>st</sup> December 2025

Response Due: 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025

Date: 29<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do not hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

- 1. The total number of patients who died under the care of your Trust, broken down by a.) whether they had a learning disability and / or autism, or b.) did not.**

The Trust does not centrally record whether a patient had learning disabilities/autism or whether there was a do not resuscitate order in place. Therefore, the Trust is unable to provide this data as it is not recorded centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. As case notes are for the care and treatment of patients, we do not request staff to interrogate them in order to collate the information required to respond to Freedom of Information requests.

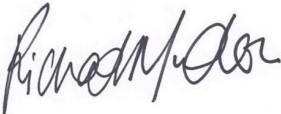
- 2. For each of these sub-categories (patients with a learning disability / autism, and patients who do not have a learning disability /autism), please provide the number of patients who had a 'do not resuscitate' order on their medical records**

Please see the response to question 1.

**Please provide the above information for each year, 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021.**

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Mundon', is enclosed within a thin black rectangular border.

Richard Mundon  
Deputy Chief Executive

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  
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Helpline number: 0303 123 111