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Date Received: 21st March 2024

Response Due: 22nd April 2024

Date: 19th April 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 21st March 2024, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

1. How many times has your organisation experienced an attempted cyber-attack in the last two financial years?

The Trust is unable to provide the total number of times we have experienced an attempted cyberattack in the last 2 financial years as the logfiles are only retained for 6 months as per NHS England guidelines. However, since the start of 2024, the Trusts antivirus solution has blocked in access of 1,100 items of malware and potentially unwanted apps (PUA's).

2. Have you ever reported any cyber-related incidents to the NCSC and if so, how many in the last two financial years?

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3. Thinking about cyber-attacks where the criminal was able to obtain data or disable systems, how much have these cost the organisation? $\pounds 0$

4. How much of the organisation's total annual budget is spent on cyber support, protection and computer systems? 0.09%.

5. How many people are employed by the organisation to oversee cyber support and programmes?

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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 Director Digital Chief Technology Officer

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