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Date Received: 29th July 2024

Response Due: 27th August 2024

Date: 7th August 2024

## Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2024, 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:

Please release the number of recorded incidences where a patient has suffered an injury or other medical condition (e.g. stroke) where chiropractic was, or was suspected to be, the cause of the injury/condition or a contributory factor.

Please include in the data all cases between June 2021 and June 2024.

Please break the data down into the date of the injury/condition, the nature of the injury/condition and whether chiropractic was the cause or suspected cause.

The Trust is unable to provide this data as the cause of an injury is not recorded, 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.

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,

Richard Mundon

Director of Strategy and Planning

## 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