

NHS Foundation Trust

Information Governance Department

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Ref: FOI/2023/9372

Date Received: 7th November 2023

Response Due: 5th December 2023

Date: 6th December 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 7th November 2023, 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:

The number of deaths on days recorded by your Trust when your Trust had declared a 'critical incident' broken down by each of the years a) 2018, b) 2019, c) 2020, d) 2021, e) 2022, g) 2023 so far

Death is not recorded on our central system.

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.

The number of days when your Trust had declared a 'critical incident' broken down by each of the years a) 2018, b) 2019, c) 2020, d) 2021, e) 2022, g) 2023 so far

Year	Number of Days critical incident declared
2018	Trust does not have this information recorded
2019	Trust does not have this information recorded
2020	Trust does not have this information recorded
2021	1
2022	2
2023	3

The Trust have managed to establish 6 dates since August 2021, the lengths of the critical incidents is unknown. There are no records held prior to August 2021.

The number of deaths recorded by your Trust on days when your Trust has not declared a 'critical incident' broken down by each of the years a) 2018, b) 2019, c) 2020, d) 2021, e) 2022, g) 2023 so far

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Year	Number of Days critical incident NOT declared
2018	Trust does not have this information recorded
2019	Trust does not have this information recorded
2020	Trust does not have this information recorded
2021	364
2022	363
2023	362

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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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