

**NHS Foundation Trust** 

## **Information Governance Department**

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Ref: FOI/2024/9633

Date Received: 14th February 2024

Response Due: 13<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Date: 12th March 2024

## Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 14<sup>th</sup> February 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:

The number of incidents where medical needles were not safely disposed of at your NHS trust in each of the calendar years a) 2019, b) 2020, c) 2021, d) 2022, e) 2023.

a) 2019	12
b) 2020	13
c) 2021	11
d) 2022	5
e) 2023	18

The number of incidents where biological material was not safely disposed of at your NHS trust in each of the calendar years.

**b) 2020** 11

c) 2021 11

d) 2022 29

**e) 2023** 34

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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Tabitha Gardner Chief Finance 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