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Freedom of Information request 012584 – Domestic abuse

1. Do you have a dedicated policy with a structure of signposting support for staff affected by domestic abuse? If so, please give details.
2. Do you have a dedicated policy with a structure of signposting support for patients affected by domestic abuse? If so, please give details.
3. Do you have a domestic abuse service established within your organisation?
4. If so, state when it was established and state year on year figures for referrals/the number of people who use the service
5. Are staff inducted in the organisation's policy so that they are fully informed of its content and the support available to them as well as patients

Questions 1 to 5, please note :- The Trust does not have a dedicated domestic abuse policy or an established domestic abuse service.

All staff receive safeguarding adult and children foundation training.

Domestic abuse is included within the Safeguarding Adults and Children's policies with links to Dudley Safeguarding Adults and Children's Board for further information. Staff in key areas are aware of where/how to signpost patients to Sandwell Women's Aid, The Cedar Centre (Dudley branch of (SWA) and Victim Support

Pregnant women are screened during pregnancy and responses entered confidentially on maternity documentation. Incidences of domestic abuse are notified to specialist midwives.

6. How many staff have received training in recognising and supporting victims of domestic abuse in the past year.

There is no specific training for domestic abuse however 34 maternity staff attended a vulnerable women's workshop.

Trust staff have Foundation level for Safeguarding Adults and Children and it is also included in Intermediate Children's Safeguarding training

31/12/2015	Numbers of Staff Compliant
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Safeguarding Adults	3006
Safeguarding Children Foundation	3055
Safeguarding Children Intermediate	721

7. When was domestic abuse training last reviewed in your organisation.

N/A –

8. What does the training cover.

No specific training but Foundation Safeguarding Adults and Children's training includes the definition of domestic abuse, statistics, the signs and indicators of abuse, the effects on the family and children in those families and roles and responsibilities of staff

The maternity workshop includes keeping safe, contact numbers, definition of abuse, current statistics, types and indicators of abuse, the cycle of abuse, effects of abuse, roles and responsibilities.