

Freedom of Information request 014241

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Dear **The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust**,

I am writing to make a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

If this request is too wide or unclear, I would be grateful if you could contact me as I understand that under the Act, you are required to advise and assist requesters. If any of this information is already in the public domain, please can you direct me to it, with page references and URLs if necessary.

I understand that you are required to respond to my request within the 20 working days after you receive this letter.

Q. What percentage of emails that your organisation receives are fraudulent – i.e. phishing messages, BEC (business email compromise) attacks, CEO Fraud, malware laden, etc.

- Please indicate as a percentage: \_\_\_\_\_ %
- Don't Track ✓

Q. What is the most common type of fraudulent email/cyber-attack that your organisation receives?

- CEO fraud – this is when someone sends an email impersonating a senior company executive asking an employee to make payments for goods or services into a fraudulent bank account
- Fraudulent transaction requests – fraudsters send invoices for payment of goods or services as if from a legitimate organisation
- Credential theft – fraudsters send messages trying to get users to divulge their username and password or other sensitive information
- Ransomware
- Other
- Don't Track ✓

Q. Has your organisation suffered financial loss in the last 12 months as a direct result of a faked email message being received that tricked an employee into sending money via wire transfer

- Yes
- No

If yes, please state how much was lost (if fallen victim more than once, please provide total amount given to scammers): \_\_\_\_\_

Exemption 43 (2) applied given the organisation considers this level of information commercially sensitive from an information security perspective.

The public interest test set out in section 2(2)(b) supports application of exemption 43 (2) given there is a greater public interest in maintaining the exemption 43 (2) outweighing the public interest in disclosure in order to protect public and public services against cyber security threats.

Q. Has your organisation had a device/system infected by ransomware in the last 12 months that was delivered via email:

- Yes – once
- Yes – more than once
- We were infected by ransomware but the source wasn't traced
- Never

NB: If you have answered yes, please answer the following questions for each separate ransomware infection (if numerous devices were infected at the same time, this counts as one incident)

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How long were systems affected: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you pay the ransom:

- Yes
- No

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If yes, how much was paid: \_\_\_\_\_

Did the criminals provide the information/program needed to restore systems:

- Yes
- No

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Q. Do you use the domain-based message authentication, reporting and conformance protocol (DMARC) to block fake emails being spoofed to appear as if they have been sent by your company/organisation:

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

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Q. Are you aware if your organisation/brand has ever been 'spoofed' and used by scammers to send emails trying to trick people

- Yes – before we started using DMARC
- Yes – after we started using DMARC
- Yes – but not sure if it was before or after using DMARC
- Never
- Don't Track

If yes, please state how many separate incidents of your organisation/brand being spoofed that you know of:  
before we started using DMARC: \_\_\_\_\_

after we started using DMARC: \_\_\_\_\_

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Q. Do you publicise externally how a member of the public can check an email communication with your organisation to determine if it is fake?

- Yes
- No ✓

If yes, how many reports have you received in the last 6 months of fake/phishing messages:

- N/A
- Don't Track

Q. Do you publicise internally how a member of your workforce can check an email communication with your IT/Security team to determine if it is fake?

- Yes ✓
- No

If yes, how many reports have you received in the last 6 months of fake/phishing messages:

- Yes
- \_\_\_\_\_ from internal workforce
  - \_\_\_\_\_ from third party suppliers
  - \_\_\_\_\_ from both internal and third party suppliers as don't differentiate between senders
  - Don't Track ✓

Q. Do you provide a report button within your email system for end users to report phishing emails?

- Yes
- No

There is a national process.

Q. Does your organisation have a SOC (Security Operations Centre) or IT security team?

- Yes ✓
- No

Q. Do you have a secure email gateway?

- Yes ✓
- No
- Don't know