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**Date:** 26/5/23

**Address / Email:**

Dear

**Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

**Response**

**Q1.** Are there any Specialist Palliative Care Units (SPCUs) within your Trust? If yes, please provide the name and address of these. - There are no SPCU's at the Trust

**Q2.** Please provide information on the following within your Trust between January 2017 and December 2022 (inclusive). Broken down by year if possible:

- i) The number of suicides in SPCUs (by adults 18+) - N/A
- ii) The number of attempted suicides in SPCUs (by adults 18+) - N/A

**Q3.** Please provide information on the following within your Trust between January 2017 and December 2022 (inclusive), excluding data provided in Q2. Broken down by year if possible:

- i) The number of suicides in any hospital ward by patients receiving specialist palliative care (by adults 18+)
- ii) The number of attempted suicides in any hospital ward by patients receiving specialist palliative care (by adults 18+)

**The answer to both questions above is 0.**

For some context, there are 129 admissions with suicide diagnosis codes between the date period requested. However, of these none were also diagnosed as receiving palliative care.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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