

Trust Headquarters Russell's Hall Hospital Dudley West Midlands DY1 2HQ

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Address / Email:

Dear

## Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

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

## Request

I would like to request the full DATIX and/or patient safety investigation reports for the following incidents:

INC150227: Concerning the thrombolysis bleep held by a Physician Associate. INC152492: Concerning a trainee Anaesthesia Associate in theatre alone.

Finally, I would like any full copies of any other incidents matching a free text search of "Physician Associate" or "Anaesthesia Associate".

## Response

Freedom of Information responses are published on the Trust's external website and are available for anyone to look at, the reports in question contain detailed information of the patient and a description of the incident.

We have looked at the reports and even with a high level of redaction due to the level of detail and information contained within the reports this could still be patient identifiable, so the Trust is withholding this information under Exemption Section 40 (personal information) of the Freedom of Information Act. Unfortunately, as you have requested information about 2 specific incidents by providing their reference numbers, these are even more identifiable to the individuals involved.

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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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

Information Commissioners Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF Tel: 0303 123 1113 www.ico.org.uk

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

Yours sincerely

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