

Date: 08/06/2015

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 - Ref: FOI/012258**

With reference to your FOI request in connection with 'Compensation claims' please see response below.

Under the freedom of Information Act 2000 I would like to request the following information:

1. How much money has been paid out to staff working at your trust through compensation claims following accidents/injuries at work during the period outlined below?

Please provide this information broken down by the following financial years (with the totals for each financial year included).

2010/2011  
2011/2012  
2012/2013  
2013/2014  
2014/2015

I am not requesting information for the year that the incident occurred, but the year that the payment was made.

2. Please provide the separate amounts paid out for each case, and any detail you hold relating to the reason behind the claim (i.e detail of the injury).

2010/2011 - £11,133.00  
2011/2012 - £3000  
2012/2013 - £114,910.00  
2013/2014 - £40,192.00  
2014/2015 - Nil to date

To avoid any harm or distress to the claimants in being potentially identified in the public domain, The Trust is unable to release information on why particular payments were made to individual persons and the exact amount of compensation payment they each received so payments for the year have been added together, and as such is using exemption Section 40 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act. 'If the requested information is (or contains) other peoples personal data, which is not also personal data of the requester, section 40(2) may be engaged.

The Trust finds that by releasing the requested information relating to: individual settlements and descriptions of each case , we would be in breach of the following two Data Protection principles, where information collected by the Trust should be:

1. Processed fairly and lawfully
2. Obtained for specific and lawful purposes.