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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 012611 – Staff injuries

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I request the following information:

- 1, The number of NHS staff who have been injured as a result of caring for patient that is classed as large/obese/with a high BMI/barbaric patient over the following dates:
- a. 1 Jan 2011 to 31 Dec 2011 -
- b. 1 Jan 2012 to 31 Dec 2012 -
- c. 1 Jan 2013 to 31 Dec 2013 -
- d. 1 Jan 2014 to 31 Dec 2014 -
- e. 1 Jan 2015 to 31 Dec 2015 -

For each member of staff, I wish to know the following:

- 2, The nature of injury the staff member sustained (For example-broken back, sprained ankle,
- 3, How the injury was sustained (For example patient fell on staff member while lifting etc)
- 4, How long (if any) the staff member needed off work
- 5, The weight of the patient if known
- 6, If a compensation claim was lodged -
- 7, How much compensation was paid out to the staff member -

In the years mentioned above there have been 2 members of staff injured. Only 1 claim was lodged but no compensation was paid out.

Due to the low numbers identified, to avoid any harm or distress to those staff members being potentially identified or patients being potentially identified in the public domain, the Trust is unable to release information on weight of patient or injuries sustained to staff and as such is using exemption Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act: 'If the requested information is (or contains) other people's personal data, which is not also personal data of the requester, section 40(2) may be engaged