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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/013961 - Equality and diversity, complaints

I wish to request details of the following:

1) What Equality and Diversity training does The Dudley Group NHS Trust provide to its healthcare professionals staff? - Part of the Trust inclusion package

2) What refresher training if any do healthcare staff receive in regards to Equality and Diversity? Staff are required to refresh their knowledge each year.

a) Does this include an elements relating to LGBT issues and LGBT patients? - It covers all of the protected characteristics in the Equality Act, aimed at employees and the care they give.

3) I wish to request information relating to the number of complaints made to The Dudley Group NHS Trust relating to LGBT patients and healthcare professionals.

I would like information on the number of complaints relating to:

a) Allegations of discrimination on the grounds of LGBT status.

i. Patients made about practitioners - None

ii. Staff made against colleagues both medical and non medical. - No complaints of this specific nature are held.

b) Allegations of wrongful treatment on the grounds of LGBT status. Complaints made by patients or their friends or family. Treatment received from any healthcare practitioner. - None

c) Complaints made by LGBT patients in regards to the provision of care. - None

d) Complaints made by LGBT healthcare professionals on the grounds that they have been discriminated or suffered bullying by colleagues because of their LGBT status. - No complaints of this specific nature are held.

4) I would also like the outcomes of these complaints in regards to:

a) closed with no further action - for staffing issues, not applicable; no complaints have been raised.

b) disciplinary action taken against the healthcare professional involved and what action was taken - for staffing issues, not applicable: no complaints have been raised.

5) I would like to know the details of whether the healthcare professional complained about qualified either in the UK or abroad? - None

I would like to number of complaints in the last 18 months. - None