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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/015641 – Assaults and hate crime

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from your NHS Trust.

Please provide the information to the following questions by responding to this email address.
Information provided by calendar year

1. The name of your NHS trust - The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust
2. The total number of physical assaults against NHS staff from members of the public and patients that occurred during the following financial year:

2019 - 32
2020 - 48
2021 - 14

3. The total number of verbal assaults (including hate crime and all other verbal attacks) against NHS staff from members of the public and patients that occurred during the following financial year:

2019 - 16
2020 - 23

2021 - < 5 - As per NHS Digital rules the Trust does not publish numbers lower than 5 as this could lead to the identification of the persons involved.

4. How many reports of hate crime against NHS staff from members of the public and patients occurred during the following financial year:

- a. April 2020 - March 2021
- b. April 2019 - March 2020

Reports are run from the Trust's Incident Reporting Tool which does not have a subcategory of hate crime so the Trust is unable to run a report for this information