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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**

**Dear The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust,**

**Under the Freedom of Information Act, I request data on coroners' Prevention of Future Deaths reports (PFDs or Reg 28 letters) received by this NHS Trust. Can I please request the following:**

- 1. the total number of PFDs where the Trust was a listed addressee from inception (July 2013) until June 2024 (or the most recent available data), broken down as annual counts for each calendar year (e.g. for 2013, the number of reports from Jul to Dec; for 2014 the number of reports from January to December).**
- 2. the total number of PFDs where the Trust was copied for information as an 'interested person' from inception (July 2013) until June 2024 (or the most recent available data), broken down as annual counts for each calendar year (e.g. for 2013 the number of reports from Jul to Dec; for 2014 the number of reports from January to December).**

**Response**

**Please see below the number of PFD (preventing future deaths) reports received by the Trust.**

<b><u>Year</u></b>	<b><u>Number PFD issued to Trust</u></b>	<b><u>Number PFD – cc'd for Trust info only</u></b>
Jul – Dec 2013	<b>The Trust does not publish numbers lower than 5 as this could lead to the identification of the person(s) involved and cause distress to families and friends. The number of PFD's issued to the Trust over the years requested is less than 5, therefore Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act has been applied.</b>	

<p>Jan – Dec 2014</p>	<p>The Trust does not publish numbers lower than 5 as this could lead to the identification of the person(s) involved and cause distress to families and friends. The number of PFD’s issued to the Trust over the years requested is less than 5, therefore Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act has been applied.</p>	
<p>Jan – Dec 2015</p>	<p>The Trust does not publish numbers lower than 5 as this could lead to the identification of the person(s) involved and cause distress to families and friends. The number of PFD’s issued to the Trust over the years requested is less than 5, therefore Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act has been applied.</p>	
<p>Jan – Dec 2016</p>	<p>The Trust does not publish numbers lower than 5 as this could lead to the identification of the person(s) involved and cause distress to families and friends. The number of PFD’s issued to the Trust over the years requested is less than 5, therefore Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act has been applied.</p>	
<p>Jan – Dec 2017</p>	<p>The Trust does not publish numbers lower than 5 as this could lead to the identification of the person(s) involved and cause distress to families and friends. The number of PFD’s issued to the Trust over the years requested is less than 5, therefore Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act has been applied.</p>	
<p>Jan – Dec 2018</p>	<p>The Trust does not publish numbers lower than 5 as this could lead to the identification of the person(s) involved and cause distress to families and friends. The number of PFD’s issued to the Trust over the years requested is less than 5, therefore Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act has been applied.</p>	
<p>Jan – Dec 2019</p>	<p>0</p>	
<p>Jan – Dec 2020</p>	<p>0</p>	
<p>Jan – Dec 2021</p>	<p>0</p>	<p>The Trust does not publish numbers lower than 5 as this could lead to the identification</p>

		of the person(s) involved and cause distress to families and friends. The number of PFD's issued to the Trust over the years requested is less than 5, therefore Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act has been applied.
Jan – Dec 2022	0	
Jan – Dec 2023	0	
Jan – Jun 2024	0	

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  
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SK9 5AF  
Tel: 0303 123 1113  
[www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

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

Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Team**  
**The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust**