

Trust Headquarters
Russell's Hall Hospital
Dudley
West Midlands
DY1 2HQ

Ref: FOI/00048

Date: 11/5/23

Address / Email:

Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000;

Response

- 1) Please tell me how many times your Trust has logged an incident of alleged sexual harassment **from patients towards staff** in 2022.
- 2) For the five most recent cases, please tell me
 - a) the job title of the member of staff against whom the behaviour was levelled
 - b) a brief summary of the content of the complaint (patient said "you can warm your hands up on me" during a physical examination, patient wolf-whistled at nurse, etc.)
 - c) the action taken by the Trust.

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. The number of cases over the years requested is less than 5 so Exemption Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act is applied.

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;

Information Governance Manager
Trust Headquarters
Russell's Hall Hospital
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DY1 2HQ
Email: dgft.dpo@nhs.net

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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Cheshire

SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113

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

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Team
The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust