

Trust Headquarters Russells Hall Hospital Dudley West Midlands DY1 2HQ

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Date: 29th August 2025

Address / Email:

Dear

## Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

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

## Request

This is an information request relating to NHS translators

Please include the following information for the following financial years 2022/23, 2023/24 and 2024/25:

- Trust's overall spending on Translation and Interpreting Services
- Total translators employed by the Trust
- The hourly pay for in-house interpreters
- What languages do they cover
- Total number of in-person/face to face interpreting sessions booked (break down by language and clinical area)
- How many appointments or procedures have had to be rescheduled/cancelled due to interpreter

## Response

The Trust has received a number of requests regarding translators and interpretation, and we therefore ask in the first instance, you check our disclosure log of previous FOI requests for the information you have requested.

Our disclosure log can be found Disclosure log - The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust and use the search box to enter key words such as 'language, translators, translation, interpretation'.

The Trust therefore considers the information you have requested is reasonably accessible by other means as per section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act.

Disclosure log - The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust (dgft.nhs.uk)

If, after looking at previous responses you feel these do not answer your request, could you please refine your request and advise what other information you require which you have not been able to locate.

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 Dudley West Midlands DY1 2HQ

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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 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

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