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Ref: FOIA Reference 2024/25-007

Date: 22nd April 2024

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 3rd April requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding psychiatric facilities

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

- Q1 Between 01.01.19-03.04.24, how many patients have absconded from your medium- or high-security psychiatric facilities?
- A1 Not applicable to UHNM as we are not a secure unit
- Q2 Of that figure, how many were/are serving sentences for either murder, manslaughter (with or without diminished responsibility) or rape?
- A2 As answer 1
- Q3 Please provide a breakdown of these stats by security level, year and sentence.
- A3 As answer 1

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

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The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

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Yours.

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