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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 28<sup>th</sup> November 2018 (received into our office 29<sup>th</sup> November) requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding buttock stabbings.

As of 1<sup>st</sup> 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 This request is trying to find out how many people are being stabbed in the buttocks and whether this is a growing trend/problem.
  - How many people have you treated for a stabbing in the buttocks in each of the last three years? (i.e. 2016, 17 and 18)
- A1 The Trust had no buttock related stabbings for 2017 and 2018. For 2016 the information is not held.
- Q2 Of the total number of people treated for all stabbings, what proportion do buttock stabbings account for?
  - Please provide raw numbers and percentages for each of the last three years (i.e. 2016 10 buttock stabbings out of 100 total stabbings 10%; 2017, 2018 etc.)
- A2 Not applicable
- Q3 How many people stabbed in the buttock were treated with a colostomy bag?
- A3 Not applicable

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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.

Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours.

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