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Ref: FOIA Reference 2024/25-655

Date: 10th January 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 9th December 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding public or other patients pretending to be a medical professional in your hospital.

Q1 I'm writing from the to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I request the following information in the easiest accessible format.

In the last five years (i.e 2019-2024) at your Trust, how many incidences have there been of members of the public or other patients pretending to be a medical professional in your hospital.

For each case found I'd also like any information as to if the individual interacted with any patients.

So for example;

1 incident. March 2020. No interaction with a patient.

A1 The Trust conducted a search on our reporting system, Datix, and found no incidents reported 01/01/2019:31/12/2024 with either 'pretend' or 'pretended' or 'pretending' in the description field:

Therefore, nil incidents found matching a situation described by the requestor

*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.







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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 relating to the response please contact my office

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The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via www.ico.org.uk.

Yours.

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