

Ref: FOIA Reference 2022/23-687

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Date: 20<sup>th</sup> March 2023

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Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Delays to Patient Discharge

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 is a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.**

**Please could you provide the following data?**

**The number of patients in hospital delayed from discharge with the reason provided being because they are a victim of domestic abuse or violence and awaiting community care or a bed in a domestic abuse or violence shelter or facility. Please provide the number over the past year (6 Feb 2022-6 Feb 2023).**

A1 Information not held by UHNM: Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust may hold this data and they can be contacted at the following email address: [foi@mpft.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@mpft.nhs.uk)

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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:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk).

If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.

Yours,



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