

Freedom of Information Act Disclosure log - Reply Extract

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You asked

- 1. The total number of physical assaults on staff recorded in 2018/19, 2019/20, and 2020/21 (financial years from April to March)**

2018/19 = 257
2019/20 = 311
2020/21 = 277

- 2. The total number of physical assaults on staff recorded that involved medical factors in 2018/19, 2019/20, and 2020/21**

2018/19 = 152
2019/20 = 195
2020/21 = 192

- 3. The total number of times physical injury to staff was caused in 2018/19, 2019/20, and 2020/21**

2018/19 = 8
2019/20 = 13
2020/21 = 9

- 4. The total number of times restraint was used following a physical assault on staff in 2018/19, 2019/20, and 2020/21**

2018/19 = 130
2019/20 = 109
2020/21 = 115

- 5. The total number of times was seclusion used following a physical assault on staff in 2018/19, 2019/20, and 2020/21**

The Trust does not have the facility to seclude patients.

6. Total number of criminal sanctions applied in relation to physical assaults on staff in 2018/19, 2019/20, and 2020/21

The Trust does not hold this information.

7. Total number of civil and administrative sanctions applied in relation to physical assaults on staff in 2018/19, 2019/20, and 2020/21

The Trust does not hold this information.

8. The total number of times intended police action in relation to physical assaults on staff was recorded as charge in 2018/19, 2019/20, and 2020/21

The Trust does not hold this information.

9. The total number of times intended police action in relation to physical assaults on staff was recorded as verbal warning in 2018/19, 2019/20, and 2020/21

The Trust does not hold this information.

10. The total number of times intended police action in relation to physical assaults on staff was recorded as no action in 2018/19, 2019/20, and 2020/21

The Trust does not hold this information. However, the following information has been recorded:

Police Called:

2018/2019 = 16

2019/2020 = 26

2020/2021 = 19

Police Attend:

2018/2019 = 6

2019/2020 = 14

2020/2021 = 4

11. The total number of times it was recorded that the victim did not want police to pursue the matter in relation to physical assaults on staff in 2018/19, 2019/20, and 2020/21

The Trust does not hold this information.

12. Total number of staff reported by the trust at March 31, 2019, March 31, 2020 and at March 31, 2021.

31/03/2019:	7435
31/03/2020:	8655
31/03/2021:	9222

The Trust has a number of policies and measures in place to support staff who are assaulted. These include:

A SOP for Individuals who are Violent or Aggressive which details what action will be taken against an individual who is violent or aggressive to staff.

A Behavioural agreement which individuals who are V&A are required to sign and adhere to as a result of an incident – and there are Red/Yellow card sanctions, which can ultimately ban an individual from attending the hospital for all but a blue light emergency if they continually exhibit V&A behaviours

Trust induction and mandatory training provide staff with information on how to obtain support with regard to violence and aggression

The Datix incident reporting system allows staff to report incidents of V&A so that managers etc. are alerted and the relevant support offered and action taken.

Attachments included: No