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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 21st August 2024. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

Requested information:

1. Do you currently have a uniform policy that requires that at least some, if not all, registered mental health nurses working in your Trust must wear uniforms? **Yes**
2. If yes to Q1, which clinical areas does the policy apply to? If you know the numbers of nurses this involves, please state here
 - a. Acute inpatients **Yes**
 - b. Older adult inpatients **Yes**
 - c. Other inpatients – please specify type **Yes. CAMHS Inpatients, Rehab Inpatient ward, Neuropsychiatry ward.**
 - d. Community services – please specify type **No**
 - e. Unknown area **No**
3. New national uniforms are being introduced in the NHS in England soon. Will your trust be implementing the new uniform for some or all of its nursing staff? **Not yet known**
4. If yes to Q3, will this apply to at least some registered mental health nurses working in your Trust? **Not yet known**
5. If yes to Q4, which clinical areas does the policy apply to? **N/A**
 - a. Acute inpatients Yes/No
 - b. Older adult inpatients Yes/No
 - c. Other inpatients – please specify type Yes/No
 - d. Community services – please specify type Yes/No
 - e. Not yet established Yes/No

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within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Dr Buki Adeyemo, Chief Executive, North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare Trust, Trust Headquarters, Lawton House, Bellringer Road, Trentham, ST4 8HH. If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely



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