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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 6th October 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:

Please can you tell me the number of your patients that have committed, or who are suspected of committing, a homicide by date, for each of the years 2018 – 2023 inclusive?

- By Homicide I mean murder, manslaughter, infanticide, or causing death by dangerous driving.
- By Patients I mean both community and in-patients of mental health services who are either current patients or who have had contact with the trust within six months of the offence.
- By suspected of committing a homicide I mean charged by the Police or found unfit to plead where legal proceedings have not yet been completed, or, where a patient has taken their own life after apparently killing someone else.

Year	No of Patients	Date
2018	0	-
2019	3	19/04/2019 03/06/2019 23/08/2019
2020	2	19/01/2020 19/03/2020
2021	1	21/10/2021
2022	0	-
2023	0	-

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review of the management of your request. Internal review requests should be submitted 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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