

NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust

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Dear

Sent via email

Request for Information

I write further to your request FOI ID 40035 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding:-

Body worn cameras

Your request is set out below:

- 1. does your trust currently use born worn video cameras. (clarification: I am referring to use of cameras by mental health staff ie not security personnel. If you have previously used, or are planning to begin using body worn cameras please consider the following questions to ask about former or planned uses)
- 2. Please provide copies of ALL policies relating to born worn camera usage
- 3. Please provide copies of equality impact assessments relating to use of body worn cameras. if this has not been completed, please state.
- 4. Please provide copies of data impact assessments relating to use of body worn cameras. if this has not been completed please state
- 5. please state which mental health services these are approved for use in (eg seclusion, adult wards, CAMHS wards)
- 6. please provide details of equipment used: number of cameras held by the trust and supplier of these.
- 7. please provide details of where video footage is saved and how long this is retained for.
- 8. please provide details of consent processes for use of born worn cameras.
- 9. please provide details of complaints relating to born worn cameras usage since since Jan 2019
- 10. please provide details of where body worn footage has been submitted as part of criminal/court proceedings since Jan 2019

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- 11. please provide details of incident reports related to born worn cameras since Jan 2019
- 12. Please state records of number of times body worn camera have been used between 01 Jan 2022 and 31 Dec 2022
- 13. please provide details of where body worn footage has been submitted as part of coroners court proceedings since Jan 2019

The Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust do not currently use body worn cameras.

I confirm that the information above completes your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am also pleased to confirm that no charge will be made for this request.

If you have any questions or concerns or are unhappy with the response provided or the service you have received you can write to the Head of Information Governance at the address on top of this letter. If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

Yours Sincerely

On Behalf of The Information Governance Department