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Dear [REDACTED]

Request for Information

I write further to your request FOI ID OP 105 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding:-

Sexual Incidents

Your request is set out below:

1. The number of rape incidents at mental health hospitals within your trust, broken down by financial year, since 2010.

Due to the way in which incidents are recorded on our incident system it is not possible to provide you with a total number of reported incidents of rape, all the trusts sexual misconduct incidents are reported under one category (Sexual Incidents – including indecent exposure) in order to break this down further we would have to undertake a manual exercise to review and extract all relevant incidents. Therefore, this would exceed the appropriate time limits, as per the Freedom of Information Act 2000 section 12(1) which does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit. The terms of this exemption in the Freedom of Information act mean that we do not have to consider whether or not it would be in the public interest for you to have the information.

2. The number of sexual assault incidents at mental health hospitals within your trust, broken down by financial year, since 2010.

Due to the way in which incidents are recorded on our incident system it is not possible to provide you with a total number of reported incidents of sexual assault, all the trusts sexual misconduct incidents are reported under one category (Sexual Incidents – including indecent exposure) in order to break this down further we would have to undertake a manual exercise to review and extract all relevant incidents. Therefore, this would exceed the appropriate time limits, as per the Freedom of Information Act 2000 section 12(1) which does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed

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the appropriate limit. The terms of this exemption in the Freedom of Information act mean that we do not have to consider whether or not it would be in the public interest for you to have the information.

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