

NHS Foundation Trust

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Ref: FOI/2024/10328

Date Received: 25th November 2024

Response Due: 23rd December 2024

Date: 20th December 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 25th November 2024, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold part of the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

1. For the financial years 19/20, 20/21, 21/22, 22/23, 23/24 and 24/25, please could you detail the number of significant events and never events that were recorded across your NHS Trust?

	Never Events (NE)	Patient Safety Incident Investigation (PSII)
2023/24 *Jan – Mar 2024	2	4
2024/25 *Apr – Oct 2024	2	20

The Trust only went live with PSIRF in January 2024, therefore can only provide data after this date.

For clarity, we are using the definitions of 'significant' and 'never' events as published by NHS England. Please provide a breakdown of the number of recorded events for each category.

- 2. For each financial year, please also provide a breakdown of the number of 'significant' and 'never' events which involved a physician/anaesthesia associate. None.
- 3. For each financial year, please detail the number of doctors, nurses and physician/anaesthesia associates employed at your trust.

FY	Nursing and	Medical and	Physician	Anaesthesia
	Midwifery Staff	Dental Staff	Associates	Associates
19/20	1316	446	0	0

20/21*	1735	435	1	0
21/22	1837	461	2	0
22/23	1918	465	2	0
23/24	2077	513	2	0
24/25	2138	541	2	0

*Please note there was a transfer of Community Services into the Trust within FY19/20 which accounts for the increase in nursing staff from the previous year. *As at 1st April.

Clarification: Please can you confirm whether the significant events are in line with SI Framework, PSIRF or something else?

Response: For clarity, the significant events are in line with Patient Safety Incident Response Framework.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

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PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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