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Date: 11th March 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 12th February 2024, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

1. How many patients have come into your care with Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) that was noticed and/or attended to, between January 2014-February 2024 calendar years?

The Trust only has data from June 2015 onwards. The quarter January to March 24 has not been collected yet.

	TOTAL
Jun to Dec 2015	8
Jan to Dec 2016	11
Jan to Dec 2017	11
Jan to Dec 2018	12
Jan to Dec 2019	8
Jan to Dec 2020	16
Jan to Dec 2021	14
Jan to Dec 2022	15
Jan to Dec 2023	23

NOTE: Please specify if the data is relating to a physical or mental health concern and please make sure to list the physical and mental health concerns separately.

The Trust does not hold this information centrally.

2. Between January 2014 to February 2024: how much has the trust spent (or how much has it cost) for the following things relating to FGM, where relevant:

2a) corrective FGM (whatever actions need to be taken to correct or improve the damage caused by FGM)

2b) surgery

2c) procedures (non-surgical)

2d) appointments for mental health – counselling, therapy, group therapy etc. This includes mental health trusts dealing with any form of secondary treatment for FGM as I appreciate acute trusts would look after primary physical care.

NOTE: Please specify if the data is relating to a physical or mental health concern and please make sure to list the physical and mental health concerns separately.

The Trust does not provide the above services.

3. How many FGM-related deaths has your trust seen between January 2014- February 2024? Please specify how if FGM was a primary or secondary cause of death.

The Trust does not record this information centrally.

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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