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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 220929.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

**I'm writing to make a Freedom of Information request for the following data from your NHS Trust:**

1. **How many incidents of racial abuse BY PATIENTS towards NHS staff (physical, verbal or written), were reported by NHS staff between 01.01.2019 – 31.12.2019?**

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- 1.1. **How many of these reported incidents were followed up with any action being taken against the perpetrator?**

Less than 10 cases

- 1.2. **If action was taken against any of the perpetrators, how many incidents were reported to the police?**

Less than 10 cases

2. **How many incidents of racial abuse BY PATIENTS towards NHS staff (physical, verbal or written), were reported by NHS staff between 01.01.2020 – 31.12.2020?**

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- 2.1. **How many of these reported incidents were followed up with any action being taken against the perpetrator?**

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- 2.2. **If action was taken against any of the perpetrators, how many incidents were reported to the police?**

Less than 10

3. **How many incidents of racial abuse BY PATIENTS towards NHS staff (physical, verbal or written), were reported by NHS staff between 01.01.2021 – 31.12.2021?**

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- 3.1. **How many of these reported incidents were followed up with any action being taken against the perpetrator?**

Less than 10 cases

- 3.2. **If action was taken against any of the perpetrators, how many incidents were reported to the police?**

Less than 10 cases

4. **How many incidents of racial abuse BY PATIENTS towards NHS staff (physical, verbal or written), were reported by NHS staff between 01.01.2022 – current date?**

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- 4.1. **How many of these reported incidents were followed up with any action being taken against the perpetrator?**

Less than 10 cases

- 4.2. **If action was taken against any of the perpetrators, how many incidents were reported to the police?**

Less than 10 cases

Please note that we encourage staff to report all incidents to police but any decision lies with the individual concerned.

As a Trust SECamb complies with the ICO Anonymisation Code of Practice. It applies the 'less than 10 caveat' in instances where resulting data relates to minimal numbers when responding to requests for information.

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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