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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/17/12/04.

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

For the year 2016-17, please tell me:

- 1. The total number of assaults (Guidance on this is attached)**
- 2. The number of these assaults that your organisation reported to the police**
- 3. The number of criminal sanctions obtained resulting from this police report (or otherwise)**
- 4. The number of civil and recorded administrative sanctions obtained resulting from this report (or otherwise)**
- 5. The number of assaults where the medical condition of the assailant was deemed to be a contributing factor in the assault**

Please see table below showing data from 1st April 2016 – 31st March 2017:

Total Assaults	Total Reported to Police	Number of Criminal Sanctions	Number of Civil and Administrative Sanctions	Assaults involving Medical Factors
234	Unable to Report*	24	80	45**

*We are unable to report on this as it is not always recorded, and could also be related to scene management as opposed to the assault itself.

**Assaults where the medical condition of the assailant was deemed to be a contributing factor

Our Trust views assaults against its staff very seriously. Our Local Security Management Specialist actively promotes awareness of our zero-tolerance stance with regard to assaults on staff and encourages staff to report incidents.

The Trust also ensures that our operational staff are provided with conflict resolution training to minimise the risks of assaults.

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, Information Governance Manager via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Coordinator
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