

20th October 2015

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information request regarding Physical attacks incidents on Homerton Hospital Trust.

The Trust can provide the following information:

1) For each of the last five years, please provide the total number of physical attacks by patients on

a) patients

b) staff

c) visitors

on premises owned by your trust and the total amount of compensation paid out by your trust for physical attacks in each case.

2) For each of the last five years, please provide the number of attacks by staff on

a) patients

b) staff

c) visitors

on premises owned by your trust and the total amount of compensation paid out by your trust for physical attacks in each case.

3) For each of the last five years, please provide the number of physical attacks by visitors on

a) patients

b) staff

c) visitors

on premises owned by your trust and the total amount of compensation paid out by your trust for physical attacks in each case.

Due to the reporting limitations of the Datix reporting system we are unable to differentiate the different category of assault in the way that you requested. We can only provide you with total figures for the last five financial years.

2010-2011 financial year – 95

2011- 2012 financial year – 71

2012- 2013 financial year - 65

2013 -2014 financial year – 88

2014- 2015 financial year – 100

The total incidents: 419

In relation to the total amount of compensation paid out by the Trust for physical attacks, we are unable to provide this information because it is not in a readily available format.

If you have any queries about this response please contact the information governance manager at foi@homerton.nhs.uk , in the first instance. If, following that, you still have any concerns, you may contact the Information Commissioner either by letter, FOI/EIR Complaints resolution, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SM9 5AF, or by email www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk to take them further.

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Yours sincerely

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