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Dear Sir or Madam,

Ref: FOI 2919

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information request regarding Pest control at Homerton hospital.

The Trust can provide the following information:

- **How many times did your hospital trust have to call out pest control between the financial years 2014/15 and 2015/16?**
14/15 - 30
15/16 – 34
- **Please further detail each specific incident as far as possible? (For example: what type of pest was seen: rat; cockroaches; ants' nest etc and where was it spotted: staff locker room; electrical cupboard; kitchen; ward)**
Type of pest – mince, flies, fleas, birds, bugs, Ants.
Inpatient locations, offices, changing rooms and public areas.
- **Please describe any proofing/housekeeping/hygiene recommendations – and/or precautions to be observed by trust staff - given by pest control contractors to help eliminate causes of infestation.**
All proofing is inclusive within the contract, however with regards to housekeeping – precautions observed by Trust staff are food to be kept in appropriate locations or in plastic containers, and minimise floor level clutter.
- **Please provide an up-to-date copy of your hospital's pest control policy if you have one.**
Please see attached

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Yours sincerely

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