

Information Governance

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I am responding to your request for information received 19th May 2019. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

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Information Governance Coordinator

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision. If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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Request:

Can you please let me know how much money the Trust has spent in each year over the last five years on:

a.) legal representation for the trust at inquests

b.) legal representation for the trust at inquests in which the coroner found there were failings in the care delivered to a patient/service user by the trust

c.) legal representation for the trust at inquests in which the coroner issued a prevention of future deaths order with implications for the trust

For b.) and c.) can you also please let me know any details of changes made by the trust following the findings from these inquests.

Answer:

The Trust has reviewed your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. To answer these questions the Trust would need to manually review each individual file for the information you require as many of the cases are either paid in full or in part by NHS Resolution. Therefore, the Trust is unable to comply with your request as the cost of compliance and extracting your exact requirements would exceed the appropriate cost limit of £450 which is specified in Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This is based on a rate of £25 per hour, regardless of the rate of pay of any individual involved in the retrieval of requested information, and equates to 18 hours work.