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Dear

I am responding to your request for information received **10 June 2022**. I am sorry for the delay in responding to your request. 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,

Shuchi Joshi

Senior Information Governance Coordinator – Information Rights

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  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
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**Request:**



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**Chief Executive:** Paul Calaminus  
**Interim Chair:** Eileen Taylor

**Question 1: How much money has been spent by the Trust employing hospital security staff with an SIA licence over the last five years**

**Question 2: Please break the costs down into a yearly budget. I am specifically asking for**

**a) the amount spent on salaries for staff holding an SIA licence for the years below and**

**b) the number of staff employed holding an SIA licence for each year.**

**2018**

**2019**

**2020**

**2021**

**2022 to date**

**Question 3: Please include the number of staff employed currently by your Trust who hold the SIA licence.**

Answer: Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

*Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—*

*(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and*

*(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to them.*

The East London NHS Foundation Trust do not employ SIA licensed security staff and therefore cannot respond to questions 1, 2 and 3.

**Question 4: I would also like to find out how many assaults took place on NHS staff for each of the years above**

Answer:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of assaults on NHS staff</b>
2018	1135
2019	1357
2020	1322
2021	1379
2022 to date	670