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I am responding to your request for information received 15th July 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
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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SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113
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Request:

Question 1: For 2021 please supply the total number of times a patient absconded from inpatient mental health facilities within the Trust;

Answer: 671. Please note this figure includes both formal and informal patients.

Question 1a: A breakdown of absconsions per facility

Answer: The Trust has reviewed questions 1a of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

The Trust has reviewed your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 40 for the FOI Act states:

(2) This exemption covers the personal data of third parties (anyone other than the requester) where complying with the request would breach any of the principles in the UK GDPR.

Please note that some figures equate to less than five individuals and therefore has the potential for those individuals to be identified. We can therefore not provide this information which could contravene The Data Protection Act 2018 / UK GDPR.

Below is a table setting out how many individuals have absconded from each ward. We have provided the information broken down by ward rather than facility as this is how the information is recorded on the Trust's systems. Where the figure was less than 5 it has been replaced with an X.

BD Ash Ward	60
BD Cedar House	X
BD Townsend Court Acute	33
BD Willow Ward	18
Bevan Ward	11
Bow Ward - Woman's service	X
Brett Ward	15
Brick Lane Ward	12
Broadgate Ward	X
Butterfield Ward	X
Cazaubon Ward	X
Clerkenwell Ward - Learning Disability	X
Coborn (General Ward)	14
Coborn (PICU Ward)	X
Columbia Ward	X
Connolly Ward	23
Crystal Ward (PICU)	15
East India Ward - Personality Disorder	X
Emerald Ward	11
Fothergill Ward	X
Galaxy Ward (New Coborn PICU)	23
Gardner Ward	17
Globe Ward	28



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Ivory Ward	14
Joshua Ward	15
Lea Ward	25
Leadenhall Ward	X
Limehouse Ward	5
Loxford Ward	X
LT Coral Ward	27
LT Crystal Ward	50
LT Jade PICU Ward	10
LT Onyx Ward	27
LT Poplars Ward	8
Margaret Oates Mother & Baby Unit	X
Millharbour Ward	22
Opal Ward	23
Roman Ward	20
Rosebank Ward	5
Ruby Triage Ward	21
Ruth Seifert Ward	33
Sapphire Ward	18
Shoreditch Ward - Learning Disability	X
Topaz Ward	39
Victoria Ward	X
West Ferry Ward	5

Question 2: For 2020 please supply the total number of times a patient absconded from inpatient mental health facilities within the Trust;

Answer: 617. Please note this figure includes both formal and informal patients.

Question 2a: A breakdown of absconsions per facility

Answer: The Trust has reviewed questions 2a of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

The Trust has reviewed your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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BD Ash Ward	67
BD Townsend Court Acute	27
BD Willow Ward	21
Bevan Ward	21
Bow Ward - Woman's service	X
Brett Ward	43
Brick Lane Ward	10
Broadgate Ward	X
Butterfield Ward	X
Clerkenwell Ward - Learning Disability	X
Coborn (General Ward)	8
Coborn (PICU Ward)	X
Connolly Ward	16
Crystal Ward (PICU)	18
Emerald Ward	12
Galaxy Ward (New Coborn PICU)	9
Gardner Ward	8
Globe Ward	24
Ivory Ward	15
Joshua Ward	23
Lea Ward	9
Limehouse Ward	X
Loxford Ward	X
LT Coral Ward	32
LT Crystal Ward	55
LT Jade PICU Ward	14
LT Onyx Ward	42
LT Poplars Ward	X
Margaret Oates Mother & Baby Unit	X
Millharbour Ward	5
Morrison Ward	X
Opal Ward	21
Roman Ward	9
Ruby Triage Ward	19
Ruth Seifert Ward	30
Sapphire Ward	6
Shoreditch Ward - Learning Disability	X
Topaz Ward	24
Victoria Ward	X
West Ferry Ward	X
Woodbury Ward	X

Question 3: For 2019 please supply the total number of times a patient absconded from inpatient mental health facilities within the Trust;

Answer: 768. Please note this figure includes both formal and informal patients.



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Question 3a: A breakdown of absconsions per facility

Answer: The Trust has reviewed questions 3a of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Aldgate Ward	X
BD Ash Ward	66
BD Cedar House	X
BD Fountains Court Acute	X
BD Townsend Court Acute	24
BD Willow Ward	7
Bevan Ward	11
Bow Ward - Woman's service	X
Brett Ward	46
Brick Lane Ward	20
Broadgate Ward	X
Butterfield Ward	X
Clerkenwell Ward - Learning Disability	X
Coborn (General Ward)	X
Coborn (PICU Ward)	6
Columbia Ward	X
Connolly Ward	5
Crystal Ward (PICU)	25
Emerald Ward	29
Galaxy Ward (New Coborn PICU)	20
Gardner Ward	14
Globe Ward	26
Ivory Ward	16
Joshua Ward	31
Lea Ward	21
Leadenhall Ward	X
Limehouse Ward	X
Loxford Ward	X
LT Coral Ward	51



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LT Crystal Ward	79
LT Jade PICU Ward	12
LT Onyx Ward	44
LT Poplars Ward	X
Margaret Oates Mother & Baby Unit	X
Millharbour Ward	8
Opal Ward	41
Roman Ward	21
Rosebank Ward	X
Ruby Triage Ward	26
Ruth Seifert Ward	40
Sapphire Ward	10
Shoreditch Ward - Learning Disability	X
Thames House	X
Topaz Ward	26
West Ferry Ward	X
Woodbury Ward	X



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