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I am responding to your request for information received **7th November 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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SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113
Web: www.ico.org.uk

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Request:

Question 1: The number of patients treated for PTSD, between January 2018 and September 2022 sorted by month. If possible I would like to know the age, gender and ethnicity of the patients. It is okay if they have been diagnosed with other diseases too. The most important thing is that they have been diagnosed with PTSD. If there's another diagnosis, please specify the disease.

Answer: Please find spreadsheet attached.

Please note that the Trust does not record "other diseases" in a searchable format and is therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 2: The number of patients who decided to commit suicide, after suffering from PTSD in the years listed above. Please provide data for these suicides (age, ethnicity, gender, diagnosis, previous suicide attempts, risk factors for suicide, treatment)

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

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.

This information is not recorded and therefore, we are unable to provide a response.

Question 3: The number of patients experiencing PTSD (patients who have a confirmed diagnosis), over the years listed above, caused by:

- a. Rape;
- b. Severe beating or physical assault;
- c. Sexual assault;
- d. Serious accident or injury, for example, car or train accident;
- e. Shooting or stabbing;
- f. Sudden, unexpected death of family member or friend;
- g. Child's life-threatening illness;
- h. Witness to killing or serious injury;
- i. Natural disaster;
- j. Serving as a soldier.

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In order for the Trust to provide this information it would have to access patient records. We do not have a legal basis to access patient records in order to respond to a Freedom of Information Request. Therefore we are unable to provide a response.



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