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I am responding to your request for information received 8 June 2023. 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,

Information Rights 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
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

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

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Request: Please provide the information in a spreadsheet, not a word document or PDF, if possible.

Question A:

1. The number of datix reports made identifying staffing shortages or referencing staffing shortages on all mental wards in the calendar year 2019.
2. The number of datix reports made identifying staffing shortages or referencing staffing shortages on all mental wards in the calendar year 2020.
3. The number of datix reports made identifying staffing shortages or referencing staffing shortages on all mental wards in the calendar year 2021.
4. The number of datix reports made identifying staffing shortages or referencing staffing shortages on all mental wards in the calendar year 2022.
5. The number of datix reports made identifying staffing shortages or referencing staffing shortages on all mental wards so far in this calendar year, 2023.

Answer: Please see attached Appendix 1

Question B:

6. The number of shifts on all mental wards that were flagged as not meeting minimum nurse staffing levels in the calendar year 2019.
7. The number of shifts on all mental wards that were flagged as not meeting minimum nurse staffing levels in the calendar year 2020.
8. The number of shifts on all mental wards that were flagged as not meeting minimum nurse staffing levels in the calendar year 2021.
9. The number of shifts on all mental wards that were flagged as not meeting minimum nurse staffing levels in the calendar year 2022.
10. The number of shifts on all mental wards that were flagged as not meeting minimum nurse staffing levels so far in this calendar year, 2023.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed Question B (6-10) of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states:

(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

The information requested is accessible here:

<https://www.elft.nhs.uk/information-about-elft/safer-staffing-levels>

Question C:

11. The total number of shifts available in the calendar year 2019.
12. The total number of shifts available in the calendar year 2020.
13. The total number of shifts available in the calendar year 2021.
14. The total number of shifts available in the calendar year 2022.
15. The total number of shifts available in the calendar year 2023.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed Question C (11-15) of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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