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I am responding to your request for information received 16 October 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: I am writing to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act for the Trust's official policy for

- a) reporting and
- b) recording of sexual safety incidents,

including sexual abuse, sexual harassment or sexual assault through the National Reporting and Learning System (NRLS) or any other relevant system.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 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.

East London NHS Foundation Trust does not have a specific policy for reporting or recording sexual safety incidents to NRLS. However, this is covered in the Incident Policy for all incidents and Professional Boundaries Policy accessible here:

Incident Policy:

<https://www.elft.nhs.uk/system/files/2022-06/Incident%20Policy%208.5.doc>

Professional Boundaries Policy:

<https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2023-07/Professional%20Boundaries%20and%20Relationship%20Policy%202.2.docx>



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