

2<sup>nd</sup> January 2026

**Our reference: FOI DA6404**

I am responding to your request for information received 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025. 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,

FOI Team

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](http://www.ico.org.uk)

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**Question 1: How many inpatients with Dementia at your Trust in 2024 and 2025 were accompanied by a healthcare worker or another member of staff when they were sent for scans or tests, where a family member, guardian or other non-member of staff were not present. For context, this doesn't include porters, it refers to staff members who were there throughout the tests and scans, where a family member, guardian or other non-member of staff was not present. Can you please provide 2024 and 2025 as separate figures?**

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

Section 40 for the FOI Act states:

*(1) 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.*

In order to provide the information requested, it would be necessary to access patient records as the information is not held in a searchable format. There is no legal basis to access patient records for the purposes of responding to a Freedom of Information request. The Trust is therefore unable to provide a response.

**Question 2: How many inpatients with Dementia at your Trust in 2024 and 2025 were not accompanied by anyone? For context, this means no family member or guardian were present, nor a healthcare worker or other NHS staff member. Again, porters don't apply here. Can you please provide 2024 and 2025 as separate figures?**

**Answer:** The Trust has reviewed question 2 of 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.*

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