

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am requesting the below information under the Freedom of Information Act:

- What training is provided at Trust level to ensure safe and holistic care of the patients with spinal cord injury and which group of professionals is the training directed to?
- What training is available at Trust level for the Spinal Manual Handling competencies, for band 2, 3, 4, 5 and above? Who is responsible for the delivery of such training, does it fall under the Manual Handling or the Spinal Unit/Centre remit?

How often is training delivered and how are competencies achieved and maintained? Are updates required to maintain competency?

- What guidance document/competency (e.g. MASCIP) is used during training of Spinal Manual Handling skills?
- How frequently trainers on Spinal Manual Handling skills would require updates

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FOI) request. After careful consideration, we regret to inform you that we do not hold the information you have requested.

We don't care for patients with spinal injuries at DBTH they are transferred to STH. The only care our colleagues are involved in is the immobilisation of the c spine until the patient transfer takes place and this is taught as part of trauma courses and isn't specifically about Manual Handling.

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we are only required to provide information that we hold at the time of the request. Unfortunately, we do not possess the information you are seeking.

If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Requests for an internal review should be submitted within 40 working days from the date of this response, and should be addressed to d.wraith@nhs.net.

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