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Freedom of Information Act Request

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information:

Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am writing to request the following information. This information relates to the NHS England Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response Framework in general and section 7, "NHS incident response levels", in particular. I am requesting this information from the Trust rather than NHS England or the Integrated Care Board because I wish to know what information is held by the Trust.

For clarity I have enumerated the information I am requesting. If you do not hold some of this information then I ask you to confirm explicitly that you do not hold it.

I request:

1. Any record held of the number of days the Trust was at Level 1 incident response level between June 2023 and May 2024 inclusive.

2. Any record held of the number of days the Trust was at Level 2 incident response level between June 2023 and May 2024 inclusive.

3. Any record held of the number of days the Trust was at Level 3 incident response level between June 2023 and May 2024 inclusive.

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, received on 15/01/2025. You requested the following information relating to the NHS England Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response Framework, specifically regarding the number of days the Trust was at various incident response levels between June 2023 and May 2024.

After conducting a thorough search of our records, we can confirm that the Trust does not hold the requested information. The framework referenced is not utilised for incident declarations at the Trust level. The incident response levels outlined in the framework do not correspond to classifications of incidents themselves but rather indicate which NHS body assumes the coordinating role during an incident.

As such, the Trust does not maintain records of the number of days it was at Level 1, Level 2, or Level 3 incident response levels during the specified period.

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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.

If you remain dissatisfied after the internal review, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF Tel: 0303 123 1113 Website: https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/