



FOI 2401

Date 28/07/2023

Dear Requester,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request. Please note, this is a cross-site response for Bedford site and Luton site.

You asked:

1) How many patients have reported being sexually assaulted by another patient to the Trust between 1 January 2018 and 30 June 2023?

Please can you break down the figure by year (i.e 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023).

2) How many patients have reported being sexually assaulted by a Trust staff member between 1 January 2018 and 30 June 2023.

Please can you break down the figure by year (i.e 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023).

Answer:

The information for 2018-2022 is available on our disclosure log (linked below) and is therefore exempt under Section 21 of the FOIA.

[2022 HR Disclosure Logs - Bedfordshire Hospitals NHS Trust](#)

2023 - A total of 8 incidents have been reported between 01 January 2023 and 30 June 2023. This figure includes incidents of indecent exposure

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Yours sincerely,

FOI Officer



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