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Dear Requester,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request which was received within the Trust.

In accordance with S.1 (1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), I can confirm that we do hold the information relevant to your request. FOI 380

1. Do you provide access to an Independent Domestic Abuse Advisor? **Yes**
2. If yes, do you provide access to an IDAA at every hospital site? **Just Bedford Hospital Site**
3. Do you employ a domestic abuse specialist nurse? **No**
4. If yes, do you employ a domestic abuse specialist nurse at every hospital site?
5. Do you have a Domestic Abuse policy? **Yes**

If yes, please provide a copy. **See attached**

6. Do you produce an annual safeguarding report on domestic abuse? **No**
7. Do you conduct internal audits to ensure compliance to the domestic abuse policy? **Yes**
8. Have you conducted training for staff on domestic abuse in the last 12 months. If no, in the last 24 months? **Yes in the last 12 months**
9. How many domestic abuse, stalking and harassment (DASH) risk assessments were completed by the trust/health board in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020? **We do not hold this information**
10. How many domestic abuse, stalking and harassment (DASH) referrals were made by the trust/health board to a Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020? **We do not hold this information**

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www.ico.org.uk

Yours sincerely,

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