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Dear

Sent via email

Request for Information

I write further to your request FOI ID 43231 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding:-

Patient Deaths within a Forensic in-patient unit

Your request is set out below:

 How many patients died between 1 January 2021 and 31st December 2023 while receiving care in a forensic in-patient ward/unit?
Please separate these based-on levels of security, i.e. High, Medium, and Low security and geographical location.

Due to the low numbers involved in the response to your request I would like to confirm that we are unable to release the information. We are not obliged, under section 40 (2) FOIA to provide information that is personal information of another person if releasing would contravene any of the provisions of the Data Protection Act 2018. In this instance we believe that the figures are significantly low enough that identification of those involved could be made, and would therefore contravene the first Data Protection principle, therefore section 40 (2) is engaged.

The terms of this exemption in the freedom of information act mean that we do not have to consider whether or not it would be in the public interest for you to have the information

I confirm that the information above completes your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am also pleased to confirm that no charge will be made for this request.

If you have any questions or concerns or are unhappy with the response provided or the service you have received you can write to the Head of Information Governance at the address on top of this letter. If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

Yours Sincerely

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On Behalf of The Information Governance Department