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Dear [REDACTED]

Request for Information

I write further to your request FOI ID 48288 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding: -

Mental health patient homicides at Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust and independent investigations

Your request is set out below:

1. Please disclose since 1994, how many homicides by trust patients have occurred within a year of contact with the trust.

All of the information you have requested is not held centrally being stored within multiple systems and archive paper files which cannot be extracted as a standalone piece of data. In order to extract the requested information and collate the results would require a manual exercise to identify and review archive records and would exceed the appropriate time limits, as per the Freedom of Information Act 2000 section 12(1) which does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

2. How many of these homicides by trust patients were reported to NHS England or its predecessor bodies?

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The Trust can confirm that homicide incidents that involve a patient who has had contact with the Trust are reported to NHSE or its predecessor body where care or service delivery issues were identified.

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Chief Executive – Sheila Stenson

3. How many of the total number of homicides by trust patients reported to NHS England were independently investigated under HSG 94-27?

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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

On Behalf of
The Information Governance Department