

Our reference: /FOI D10682

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Dear Ryan,

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RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST - REF: D10682

Please find our Trust's response in relation to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

I write requesting access to the following information under section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

- 1. All policies and procedures which relate to the use of force on patients and service users within your trust.**

Please see attached documents.

- 2. Name and contact details for the 'responsible person' as required of you in accordance with the Mental Health Units (Use of Force) Act 2018.**

Gill Green – Chief Nurse - Email: gill.green@gmmh.nhs.uk

Chris Daly – Deputy Medical Director – Email: chris.daly@gmmh.nhs.uk

- 3. Details of any use of force used by or on behalf of the trust between Sep 2016 and Sep 2022 including type of restraint used (physical, mechanical or chemical), duration of restraint and the number of staff involved in such restraints.**

Data relating to restrictive interventions is published by NHS Digital and is available here:

<https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/publications/statistical/mental-health-services-monthly-statistics/>

NHS Digital have published this data since November 2021, and it includes type of restraint and duration of restraint.

Due to a change in our Trust reporting systems in Q2 2021, we are unable to provide the requested figures for the period September 2016 to October 2021 due to the manual review

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that would be required. To locate and collate these incidents would require a member of staff to review each record to confirm whether it was relevant. This would take more than the appropriate limit of 18 staffing hours and therefore it has been decided that this information is subject to an exemption in accordance with **Section 12 (1)** of the Freedom of Information Act – **the cost of compliance exceeds the appropriate limit.**

4. A glossary of the terms used by staff and the organisation or trust in relation to the use of force

Please see attached documents

I hope the information provided above is to your satisfaction. If you are unhappy with the way, the Trust has handled your request you may request an internal review.

If you require an internal review please write to Andrea Cloke, Information Governance Manager, at the address above. A request for an internal review should be submitted within 40 working days of the day this response was sent. Any such request received after this time will only be considered at the discretion of the Trust.

If you are not happy with the outcome of the internal review you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

The FOI Team
Freedom of Information Department
Greater Manchester MH NHS Foundation Trust

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