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Dear Mr Dale

RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

Please find below our response to your request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

The Legal Services Manager for Wirral University Teaching Hospital has provided the information required for this response.

I'm writing to obtain the following information relating specifically to your NHS Trust under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

Q1. What is the number of serious incident reviews relating to clinical negligence at your hospitals in 2016, 2017 and 2018?

The Trust does not carry out Serious Incident investigations in relation to Clinical Negligence – Wirral University Teaching Hospital investigates all Clinical Negligence claims, and investigates Serious Clinical incidents as and when they occur, regardless of whether or not they become a claim.

Q2. What is the monetary value of successful clinical negligence claims made against your hospitals in 2016, 2017 and 2018?

In line with other NHS Trusts, Wirral University Teaching Hospital does not deal directly with claims for medical negligence. However, all such claims are referred to NHS Resolution (formerly NHS Litigation Authority) and this body handles these claims on behalf of the Trust. Therefore, we advise you to contact NHS Resolution who may be able to give you the information that you seek regarding these claims

NHS Resolution can be contacted by writing to the address below:
NHS Resolution
151 Buckingham Palace Road
Victoria

London
SW1W 9SZ

Website: <https://resolution.nhs.uk/>

- Q3. In the last three years (2016, 2017 & 2018), what is the number of settled negligence claims where damages have been paid (number of cases and total monetary value) in relation to:**
- Allegations of late diagnosis / misdiagnosis**
 - Allegations of negligence leading to amputation**
 - Cases involving stillbirth or neonatal death**
 - Cases involving delayed diagnosis of cancer**
 - Cases involving medication errors**
 - Legal cases alleging clinical negligence which have taken more than 5 years to reach**

Please see statement at question 2

We hope this information fully answers your request but if anything further is required or you are dissatisfied with the management of your request, please contact the Access to Information Office.

Yours sincerely



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