

RESPONSE TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

FOI Request – FOI 21.022

Dear Requester

Re: Your application under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in respect of your recent enquiry for information held by Cheshire and Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

You requested the following information:

I would like to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act for information relating to your activities with regards to domestic violence.

Could you please tell me:

Do you provide access to an Independent Domestic Abuse Advisor?

If yes, do you provide access to an IDAA at every hospital site?

Do you employ a domestic abuse specialist nurse?

If yes, do you employ a domestic abuse specialist nurse at every hospital site?

Do you have a Domestic Abuse policy?

If yes, please provide a copy.

Do you produce an annual safeguarding report on domestic abuse?

Do you conduct internal audits to ensure compliance to the domestic abuse policy?

Have you conducted training for staff on domestic abuse in the last 12 months. If no, in the last 24 months?

How many domestic abuse, stalking and harassment (DASH) risk assessments were completed by the trust/health board in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020?

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?

Please provide the data for the last two parts of my request in a spreadsheet format.

Please find below our response:

Do you provide access to an Independent Domestic Abuse Advisor?

Yes, if required.

If yes, do you provide access to an IDAA at every hospital site? **No**

Do you employ a domestic abuse specialist nurse? **No**

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Do you have a Domestic Abuse policy?

Policy in draft - which has not yet gone out for consultation.

If yes, please provide a copy. **N/A**

Do you produce an annual safeguarding report on domestic abuse?

The report is not stand alone and sits within the annual safeguarding report.

Do you conduct internal audits to ensure compliance to the domestic abuse policy?

Policy in draft, the trust will be working with the partnership board to deep dive MARRAC cases.

Have you conducted training for staff on domestic abuse in the last 12 months. If no, in the last 24 months?

Yes, training for staff is delivered as part of the level 3 safeguarding policy.

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 have not previously collected the RIC DASH data but have recently made changes to DATIX in order to collate this information going forward.

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?

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Yours sincerely

FOI Team

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In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log. The Trust's response to you will, therefore, be published on our website. However, please be assured that your own personal details will be removed.

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