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Kirrien Wilson

By email to: request-1155675-86460235@whatdotheyknow.com

30 August 2024

Dear Kirrien,

Freedom of Information Request Reference FOI-1522711

Thank you for your request dated 6 August to the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC), a copy of which can be found in the accompanying annex.

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). For ease, we have broken down your questions as follows:

Information held by DHSC into investigations carried out by the General Medical Council (GMC) relating to Dr Wahid Asif Shaida and his views.

We are unable to confirm or deny whether DHSC holds the information you have requested under section 40(5B)(a)(i) of the FOIA.

Section 40(5) of the FOIA provides exemptions from the duty to confirm or deny whether requested information is held if to do so would disclose personal data. Due to the nature of the requested information, confirming or denying whether the requested information is held, and releasing it if it were, would result in information being attributed to an individual(s), which would contravene one of the data protection principles under Article 5(1)(a) of the UK General Data Protection Regulations.

If investigations have been completed, why Dr Wahid Asif Shaida's license to practice medicine has not been suspended.

DHSC does not hold this information.

However, if you have not already done so, you may wish to contact the General Medical Council (GMC) which may hold information relevant to your request. The GMC can be contacted at the following link: [Accessing information - GMC \(gmc-uk.org\)](https://www.gmc-uk.org).

If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to appeal by asking for an internal review. This should be sent to freedomofinformation@dhsc.gov.uk or to the address at the top of this letter and be submitted within two months of the date of this letter.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communication.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may complain directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have already appealed our original response and received our internal review decision. You should raise your concerns with the ICO within three months of your last meaningful contact with us.

Guidance on contacting the ICO can be found at <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us> and information about making a complaint can be found at <https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint>.

Yours sincerely,

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Annex

From: Kirrien Wilson <request-1155675-86460235@whatdotheyknow.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 6, 2024 12:59 AM
To: FreedomofInformation <freedomofinformation@dhsc.gov.uk>
Subject: Freedom of Information request - Information relating to investigation into Wahid Asif SHAIDA

Dear Department of Health and Social Care,

Dr Wahid Asif SHAIDA (GMC Registration Number: 3350854) is a GP registered with the General Medical Council and practices as a Family GP in Harrow, West London.

Dr Wahid Asif SHAIDA has made various media appearances making clear his views that in the eyes as of the British public make him no longer fit and proper to practice medicine in the UK, Including;

- Campaigning on the Streets of London for Jihad.
- Being the Leader of a Proscribed Terrorist Organization in the UK -Having extreme views on the rights of the LGBTQ community.
- Referring to the events in Israel on the 7th October 2023 as a punch in the face.
- Denying the 7th October 2023 terrorist attacks never actually happened.
- Calling for Sharia Law to be implemented in the UK.
- And many other things.

I am requesting any information held into investigations relating to the above GP and his view that the GMC have carried out and if the investigations have been completed, why his license to practice medicine hasn't been suspended since the investigation as he is still showing on the GMC GP register as active.

Yours faithfully,

Kirrien Wilson

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