

Our Ref: FOI 1713

13th May 2022

BY EMAIL

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Dear Ms Baxter,

I am writing to you in response to your Freedom of Information request received by the Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority (RQIA) on 27th April 2022 in which you requested information relating to Research involving Northern Ireland Housing Executive.

Please find this information below.

1. Please provide details of all research collaborations between RQIA and Northern Ireland Housing Executive.

RQIA do not and have not undertaken a research programme with the NI Housing Executive.

2. Please provide details of all research collaboration between RQIA and the Supporting People Team/Department from the Northern Ireland Housing Executive.

Please refer to the above response.

3. Please provide any ethical violations and or human rights violations RQIA uncovered in research collaborations with Northern Ireland Housing Executive.

Please refer to question 1 response.

4. Please provide any ethical violations and or human rights violations RQIA uncovered in research collaborations with the Supporting People Team/ Department from Northern Ireland Housing Executive.

Please refer to question 1 response.

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5. Please provide details of how the quality of the research was achieved.

Please refer to question 1 response.

6. Provide details on how the Supporting People Team/Programme/Department within the Northern Ireland Housing Executive is monitored by the RQIA.

RQIA do not monitor Supporting People (SP) Programme within the NIHE. We do regulate domiciliary care services provided within those settings.

I hope that the information provided assists you. If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review. You should do this as soon as possible or in any case within two months of the date of issue of this letter.

In the event that you require a review to be undertaken, you can do so by writing to The Business Services Organisation (BSO), which provides an Information Governance service on our behalf:

Post: Information Governance Manager,
2 Franklin Street,
Belfast,
BT2 8DQ

Email: foi.bso@hscni.net

If, following an internal review, carried out by an independent decision making panel, you remain dissatisfied in any way with the handling of the request, you may make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office and ask that they investigate whether the RQIA has complied with the terms of the Freedom of Information Act

You can contact Information Commissioner at:

Website: www.ico.org.uk

Phone: 0303 123 1113

Email: icocasework@ico.org.uk

Post: Information Commissioner's Office
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In most circumstances the Information Commissioner will not investigate a complaint unless an internal review procedure has been carried out. However the Commissioner has the option to investigate the matter at his discretion.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs E Connolly
Director of Adult Social Care Services

