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Dear Anne.

Re: Request for information under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received on 10 October 2018. You requested the following information:

FOI request:

- 1. Please can you share your serious incident reporting criteria and process.
- 2. Are all patients that are admitted to a caseload who die unexpectedly reported as a serious incident for the organisation?
- 3. If not what criteria do you use?

Trust response:

- 1-2. Please refer to Serious Incident policy and Mortality Review Policy which set out the Trust's processes.
- 3. This is explained in the Trust's policies as attached.

Please be aware that although this information is accurate at the time it is provided, it may not be in the future and should not be relied upon.

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 within our Publication Scheme. Therefore, a version of our response, which will protect your identity, will be posted on the Worcestershire Health and Care Trust website.

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I trust this matter has been dealt with to your satisfaction but if there is anything on which you need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us at the email address above. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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The Information Commissioner's address is: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely,

FOI Team

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