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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 12th June 2023 in relation to County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (the Trust). Your request has been processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and I am now able to provide you with a response.

Your request was in relation to Cybersecurity Spend and Patient Services and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

1. For each year (2020 – 2022), please confirm how many cyberattacks your Trust has suffered?

2020-2021	-	0
2021-2022	-	0

2. For each year (2020 – 2022), please confirm how many cyberattacks have resulted in the halting of or delay in delivery of care or services to patients?

2020-2021	-	0
2021-2022	-	0

For each year (2020-2022), please confirm:

3. The GBP (£) value of budget allocated to cybersecurity

The cybersecurity budget is part of the IT overall budget, it is not separate.

4. What percentage of the Trust's entire budget for the financial year was spent on cybersecurity?

As above

5. How many times in the last 12 months have you audited your third-party suppliers' cybersecurity measures?

The Trust do not audit third party suppliers' cyber security measures on an annual basis. Third party suppliers' cyber security measures are typically assessed when the Trust is initially considering working with them or during any major change to existing contracts with suppliers.

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 on the Trust's website. However please be assured that we anonymise all responses prior to adding them to the disclosure log.

I hope that this response has provided you with the information you had requested. If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or in writing. If however, you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been handled and would like an internal review, you will need to contact me in writing at the above address or via cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.

If you remain dissatisfied with our response following an internal review you have the right to appeal to The Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. More information is available on their website; www.ico.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

Corporate Records and Freedom of Information Facilitator