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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 11th August 2022 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 Never Events and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

I would like the responses in an Excel spreadsheet, please.

1. How many never events have been recorded by the Trust/facilities linked to the Trust since 2017? Please breakdown by year.

2017 - 7
2018 - 5
2019 - 2
2020 - 2
2021 - 3
2022 (until 31/07/22) - 0

2. For each incident please provide:

- a) The hospital or facility at which the never event happened**
- b) The date the never event occurred**
- c) Full details of the never event**
- d) Whether it resulted in, or was linked to, the death of the patient**
- e) The total amount of any compensation paid to patients or their families in relation to the never event**

Please see the attached spreadsheet as requested

f) If possible within the time and cost limits of the FOI Act, details of investigation outcomes

Please see the enclosed spreadsheet as requested.

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