

FOI 0223/2021 Response

Q1) How many allegations of sexual assault committed by staff or contractors on Trust estates have been reported since 2016?

Please provide these figures year-by-year, including the most recently available figure for 2021 so far.

Please see table below and note the following:

- The data provided below is in relation to allegations of sexual assault (reported on the Trust's Incident Reporting system) by staff between 01/01/2016 – 30/11/2021 on Trust premises.
- The data provided are explicitly allegations and are not confirmed sexual assaults.
- There are no reported allegations of sexual assault by contractors for this period recorded on the Trust's Incident Reporting system.

Year	Number of allegations of sexual assault
2016	3
2017	10
2018	8
2019	8
2020	3
2021	15

Q2) Is your Trust's Security provided by the NHS or by a private contractor?

The Trust do not directly employ their own security staff. All Security staff are supplied via contracted Private Finance Initiative (PFI) arrangements

Q3) If by a private contractor, please state their name.

Security on the North PFI sites is provided by Amey as part of PFI contract, on the South PFI it is Equans as part of PFI contract.

Q4) What is your current policy on DBS checks for staff? Please specify which kinds of staff, if any, are DBS checked.

All staff, workers, contractors and agency staff who carry out any "regulated activity" are required to have a DBS check. We carry out Enhanced or Standard checks depending on the role. This is carried out as part of our pre-employment checks process. We also require all substantive and temporary staff to sign up to the DBS Update Service. Those colleagues who aren't on the Update Service are required to re-new their DBS every 3 years.