

## **FOI 0295/2023 Response**

### **1. Does the Trust have a person appointed Armed Forces/Veterans Champion?**

- Yes

### **2. If so, what is their name and contact details?**

- The Trust is unable to provide you with the requested information. This is because we do not routinely release staff members information for those below a band 8c role.

### **3. Does the Trust have an agreed suicide prevention action plan or strategy?**

- Yes

### **4. If so, does this strategy recognise veterans as an at-risk, priority or tailored group?**

- The Trusts Risk Strategy Plan does not currently recognise veterans as an at-risk, priority or tailored group.
- However, it does include sections around vulnerable groups (i.e. Homelessness), which impacts veterans.
- The Trust is currently focusing on areas within the veteran's pathway, and these areas will be included in the Risk Strategy Plan update to support increased awareness.

### **5. If so, does your strategy reference veterans in any other way?**

- Not specifically

### **If so, when is your strategy due to be reviewed?**

- The strategy is open for consultation and is currently being reviewed.
- It is anticipated that the OpCourage Veterans service will update the Risk Strategy Plan by 1st April 2023, with the purpose of having a clear strategy that recognises Veterans. This is in line with the new Op Courage integrated Midlands service and will be overseen by the Clinical Governance Committee and the Op Courage governance structure across the Midlands.