

NHS trust name: Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust (FOI 0139/2022)

NOTE: The attached document contains incidents of sexual safety between April 2017 – March 2022 broken down by incident category. The Trust does differentiate between the definitions provided for sexual assault and misconduct therefore a single set of figures for Sexual Safety incidents have been provided.

Questions

1 Over the past five years, how many incidents of sexual violence allegedly perpetrated by staff against patients has the trust recorded?

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total	Notes, e.g. gaps in data
Answer:	10	11		3	6	13	43

1.1 Over the past five years, how many incidents of sexual misconduct allegedly perpetrated by staff against patients has the trust recorded?

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total	Notes, e.g. gaps in data
Answer:	Please refer to the response above, as the Trust does not differentiate between the definitions provided for sexual assault and misconduct. Therefore a single set of figures for Sexual Safety incidents have been provided.						

1.2 Over the past five years, how many staff have been formally disciplined for sexual violence and/or sexual misconduct against patients?

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total	Notes, e.g. gaps in data
Answer:	0	0		0	0 See comments	0	For 2021/2022 there are 2 on-going investigations which we are unable to confirm as of yet if a formal disciplinary will take place

2 Over the past five years, how many incidents of sexual violence allegedly perpetrated by patients against other patients has the trust recorded?

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total	Notes, e.g. gaps in data
Answer:	23	8		9	22	14	76

2.1 Over the past five years, how many incidents of sexual misconduct allegedly perpetrated by patients against other patients has the trust recorded?

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total	Notes, e.g. gaps in data
Answer:	Please refer to the response above, as the Trust does not differentiate between the definitions provided for sexual assault and misconduct. Therefore a single set of figures for Sexual Safety incidents have been provided.						

3 Over the past five years, how many incidents of sexual violence allegedly perpetrated by patients against staff has the trust recorded?

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total	Notes, e.g. gaps in data
Answer:	34	36		25	53	78	226

3.1 Over the past five years, how many incidents of sexual misconduct allegedly perpetrated by patients against staff has the trust recorded?

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total	Notes, e.g. gaps in data
Answer:	Please refer to the response above, as the Trust does not differentiate between the definitions provided for sexual assault and misconduct. Therefore a single set of figures for Sexual Safety incidents have been provided.						

4 Over the past five years, how many incidents of sexual violence allegedly perpetrated by staff against other staff has the trust recorded?

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total	Notes, e.g. gaps in data
Answer:	0	0		1	0	1	2

4.1 Over the past five years, how many incidents of sexual misconduct allegedly perpetrated by staff against other staff has the trust recorded?

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total	Notes, e.g. gaps in data
Answer:	Please refer to the response above, as the Trust does not differentiate between the definitions provided for sexual assault and misconduct. Therefore a single set of figures for Sexual Safety incidents have been provided.						

4.2 Over the past five years, how many staff have been formally disciplined for sexual misconduct and/or sexual violence against other staff?

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total	Notes, e.g. gaps in data
Answer:	0	0		1	0	0	1

5 Over the past five years, how many incidents of sexual violence allegedly perpetrated by visitors against patients has the trust recorded?

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total	Notes, e.g. gaps in data
Answer:	6	9		10	6	5	36

5.1 Over the past five years, how many incidents of sexual misconduct allegedly perpetrated by visitors against patients has the trust recorded?

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total	Notes, e.g. gaps in data
Answer:	Please refer to the response above, as the Trust does not differentiate between the definitions provided for sexual assault and misconduct. Therefore a single set of figures for Sexual Safety incidents have been provided.						

6 Over the past five years, how many incidents of sexual violence allegedly perpetrated by visitors against staff has the trust recorded?

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total	Notes, e.g. gaps in data
Answer:	0	1		1	0	0	2

6.1 Over the past five years, how many incidents of sexual misconduct allegedly perpetrated by visitors against staff has the trust recorded?

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total	Notes, e.g. gaps in data
Answer:	Please refer to the response above, as the Trust does not differentiate between the definitions provided for sexual assault and misconduct. Therefore a single set of figures for Sexual Safety incidents have been provided.						

Please explain any gaps in your data in the notes columns above.
If the decision is made to withhold some of this data using exemptions in FOI legislation or the Data Protection Act, cite the exemption/s used in the notes columns.

Terminology:

Sexual misconduct covers a broad range of inappropriate, unwanted sexual behaviour. From the most severe forms of sexual violence, including rape and sexual assault, it also extends across to sexual harassment, stalking, and abusive or degrading remarks.

The NHS definition of sexual violence describes it as any sexual act that a person did not consent to, or is forced into against their will, including rape, sexual assault, unwanted sexual touching, forced kissing, child sexual abuse, sexual torture and other sexual offences.