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Freedom of Information Request – Ref: FOI 012-1920

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information request about Absconded Patients. Please find our response below.

I would like to know how many patients have absconded/gone missing from mental health wards or failed to return from periods of leave over the last three years, and if possible, the number of days they were absent for.

I would like the information broken down by year from 15th April 2016 until the time this FOI is answered.

I would prefer to have the information digitally and in excel format if possible.

As requested, please see the information in the Excel document attached to this reply. Please note that the absconding data relates to only detained patients in our admission wards across the Trust. The Trust is unable to provide reliable data for the number of days that patients were absent for, and the data that could be collected would exceed the 18 working hours limit specified in Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act.

Yours sincerely,

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Please note that the patients included in the figures below may not be unique patients as some may have absconded more than once.

2G patients	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	Total
LD Inpatient / Residential	9	1	0	1	11
Charlton Lane Hospital	0	5	4	0	9
Stonebow Unit	47	32	58	2	139
Wotton Lawn Hospital	135	126	137	11	409
Other MH Inpatient / Residential	15	15	4	0	34
Total	206	179	203	14	602