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## Freedom of Information Request – Ref: FOI 260-1819

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request and apologies for the delay in responding.

You requested that the data regarding injuries to staff and patients be subdivided into the respective categories for the years requested and also advised that you had seen different numbers cited in the response to your previous FOI when compared to another FOI from August 2017. Please find the Trust's response below.

2015/16 – This information is on our legacy Datix system – so the data cannot be refined to differentiate between injuries sustained by the restraint itself or by the antecedent to the restraint e.g. an assault on a fellow patient or member of staff. So depending on the search query, differing figures are obtained. In summary the methodology within the system parameters is unreliable and the only way to identify for certain if an injury was caused by the restraint itself would be to manually review every single relevant record. This would exceed 18hrs.

2016/17 – This information is captured on the new system. We have refined this specifically to incidents in which the injury was caused by the episode of restraint itself and the figures are as follows. Patient only Injury – 4 Staff only injury – 20 Both Patient and Staff – 3

2016/17 - there were 133 episodes of Prone Restraint.

Yours sincerely,

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