

Ref. No: 2102
Date: 10th October 2025
Subject: Assaults on Staff

REQUEST

Please can you provide me with the number of reported assaults upon NHS staff at your trust in 2022, 2023 and 2024 (or the latest three years where data is available).

Please provide this information in a table or other readable format within 20 working days.

RESPONSE

Section 21 applied

Section 21: information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means

Following a review of your request, Mersey and West Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust is applying Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This section provides an absolute exemption from the duty to disclose information where the requested material is reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means, outside of the FOIA process.

Section 21(1) of the Act states:

“Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.”

This means that if the information is already available to you, whether through our publication scheme, another statutory route, or in the public domain, we are not required to provide it again under FOIA.

The information you requested is available here:

https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn:aaid:sc:EU:b9346ebe-9dbe-4c36-b321-e3a8fd6c2684?x_api_client_id=edge_extension_viewer&x_api_client_location=share