

Ref no: 075140619  
From: Press  
Date: 14/06/19  
Subject: Number of paid suspensions

## REQUEST & RESPONSE

1. What is the total number of staff currently employed by the trust?

**The total number of staff currently employed by the trust is 5,308.34**

2. How many members of staff were suspended on full pay in the last three years? Rather than giving a total for the years combined, please specify the number of those suspended on full pay in each 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 to-date.

**\* Please refer to end note.**

3. The total cost for each year 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 to-date spent on paying staff while suspended. Please break this down into each year rather than a whole total.

**\* Please refer to end note.**

4. For each incident of suspension, please break down the following:
  - The role of the person suspended (Mental health worker, doctor etc).
  - Their years in service.
  - Where they were working when suspended (Royal Blackburn Hospital, Ballenden House).
  - Circumstances behind the suspension. (Misconduct, inappropriate sexual relationship etc).
  - Date (where appropriate) of the incident which led to suspension.
  - The date the individual was suspended from and to.
  - How much was paid to the suspended person.
  - The outcome of any suspension – both internal and external.
  - Did the staff member return to a role following the suspension?

**\* Please refer to end note.**

5. What was the longest suspension over the three-year period?

**\* Please refer to end note.**

6. How much was paid to that employee during that suspension?

**\* Please refer to end note.**

7. Please include the employee's role, reason for suspension and outcome of suspension.

**\* Please refer to end note.**

8. Finally, please include the total number of staff currently suspended on full pay from the trust.

**\* Please refer to end note.**

**\* Please note:** In accordance with Part II 30 (1a), (1b) and 30 (2a(i) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 the Trust is unable to provide the information as requested. This is due to it relating to investigations and legal proceedings as laid down in aforementioned parts of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.