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REQUEST

Request: I am making a comparative study of what NHS Trusts are doing in regard to Fire Safety. Partly to compare our work with other Trusts

1. What percentage of staff have you trained - face to Face to Face and e-learning separately please.
2. Frequency (TNA) and duration of fire training sessions for staff e.g. We undertake face to face training for all frontline staff/lab staff/estates etc. annually and office workers have alternate years of online and face-to-face. Face to face classroom training last 30 minutes.
3. Number of code 1 and code 2 alarms per year. Last 5 financial years
4. Number of Fire Brigade visits (emergency and familiarisation visits, separate please)
5. Number of unwanted fire signals in each of the last 5 financial years.
6. Number of substantive employees.

My name is Aidan Holmes and I am the Fire Safety Manager at Great Ormond Street Hospital. I am happy to share all the data once collated back with you. I will anonymise any report created. If you wish to have a copy please don't hesitate to ask.

RESPONSE

1. Fire training is part of the Trust's face to face Mandatory Training programme and at the end of 2016/17 91.6% of staff had received training. The Trust does not currently use e-learning for fire training.
2. Fire training is given to staff every 2 years and the session is circa 35 minutes duration.
3. The Trust is not familiar with the code1 and code 2 terms used in the FOI question, however the number of fire alarm activations over the last five financial years is as follows:

Year	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17
Fire alarm activation	37	41	47	48	50

4. Over the previous five years the Trust has received a number of familiarisation visits from the Fire Service due to changes in station boundaries and operational personnel. In addition they attend each year for a Fire Safety Audit. With respect to emergency fire calls the Fire Service have attended on five occasions.

5. Unwanted fire calls are shown on the table below:

Year	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17
Unwanted fire calls	37	38	46	48	49

6. The overall number of staff as stated in the 2016/17 Annual Report was 4,756. This figure excludes temporary staff (including agency and bank staff), junior doctors in training recharged from other payrolls and other staff recharged from other organisations.