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REQUEST

I would like to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

Please would you provide me with:

1. The total amount spent by your trust on private security during:

- a) 2014/15
- b) 2015/16
- c) 2016/17
- d) 2017/18

2. The total number of physical assaults on NHS staff during:

- a) 2014/15
- b) 2015/16
- c) 2016/17
- d) 2017/18

Please note I am interested in physical assaults only here if possible.

If you are unable to isolate physical assaults from all assaults, please give figures for all assaults but make it clear that you have done so.

- 3 a) Does your trust currently pay for private security?
- b) If yes, please name the site(s) they cover

If this email address covers multiple hospital trusts, please provide a separate response for each one.

Please provide this data as soft copy .xls format.

RESPONSE

1. The Trust's buildings and Facilities Management Services are provided as part of a Private Financial Initiative(PFI) contract with New Hospitals, and Soft FM Services, including Security, are subcontracted to Medirest (part of the Compass Group).
The financial information is specifically classed as commercially sensitive and disclosure would put the Trust in breach of the contract.
2. 2014/15 - 132
2015/16 - 160
2016/17 - 178
2017/18 – 129 .

(as per the definitions of physical assault in 2003 to the NHS by the Secretary of State which was – “the intentional application of force against the person of another without lawful justification resulting in physical injury or personal discomfort”).
3. The sites covered are St Helens Hospital and Whiston Hospital.