

FOI 2856

30<sup>th</sup> January 2025

## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST**

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**Can I please have a list of any concerns raised by hospital staff in any acute SHSCT hospital since 1st July 2022 until present. Names are NOT required.**

**This information should include but not necessarily limited to:**

- 1. Concerns raised by any staff in any department.**
- 2. Concerns raised about safety of staffing and/or patients.**
- 3. Concerns raised about the impact of suspension or removal of any services, including its effect on the delivery of other services.**
- 4. Please include concerns raised within ED departments with regard to:  
patient safety.  
patient Inter-Facility Transfers - please separate NIAS or other transport.  
Staff safety.**

**Response:**

The Southern Trust does not have a central system for recording concerns raised by staff. Concerns may be received via numerous methods and across all Trust facilities. These methods could include email, phone call, in person and these could be recorded on Datix, risk registers and by the complaints departments.

Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, Public Authorities are not obliged to comply with an information request where to do so would exceed the cost limit.

Unfortunately we are unable to provide the information you have requested as the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the “appropriate limit” as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004. It has been estimated that it would take more than 18 hours to locate and retrieve the requested information. To obtain this information would exceed the £450 limit and is therefore cost prohibitive.

In order to assist you, under Section 16 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we advise you to consider refining your request to narrow the broad scope of the request.

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