

FOI 2936

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

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**Does your hospital trust allow patients to have their Personal Assistant/paid carers assist them in hospital settings?**

**Response:**

The Trust has considered this matter, however, to maintain the dignity and confidentiality of all individuals in our care, it would not be feasible to have personal assistants working in the midst of our busy hospital environments.

**Does your trust have a protocol or policy in place regarding Personal Assistants/paid carers assisting with complex care needs in hospital settings? What is it?**

**Response:**

The Trust does not have a protocol or policy in place to govern access of personal assistants in hospital environments.

**Does this policy apply both to admissions as well appointments and treatments as a day patient?**

**Response:**

As above, the Trust does not have such a policy.

**How many times in the last 3 years has a patient had their care needs met by their usual PAs/paid carers whilst in hospital?**

**Response:**

This information is not recorded.

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