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## Re: Freedom of Information Request Ref: 22-2021

Thank you for your email dated the 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021, requesting information in relation to domestic violence.

The information that you require is as follows:

1. Do you provide access to an Independent Domestic Abuse Advisor? The Trust has access to an independent domestic abuse advisor from Local Solutions who provide a service to anyone identified within the Liverpool City Region.

The IDVA (independent domestic violence advisors) service is provided to male and females in the Liverpool City Region who have been identified as being at high risk of ongoing domestic abuse. Their aim is to provide a short/medium term service, to reduce the risk of domestic abuse and minimise the harmful effects that domestic abuse can have on individuals and families.

If yes, do you provide access to an IDAA at every hospital site? The above access to an IDAA is available throughout the Trust at each site.

## 2. Do you employ a domestic abuse specialist nurse?

The Trust does not employ a domestic abuse specialist nurse. The Named Nurse for Safeguarding employed within the Trust provides the support and advice required for patients and employees experiencing domestic abuse

If yes, do you employ a domestic abuse specialist nurse at every hospital site?

The Named Nurse for Safeguarding provides the support and advice required for patients and employees experiencing domestic abuse at all sites within the Trust.

3. Do you have a Domestic Abuse policy?

The Trust has a Domestic Violence & Abuse and Harmful Practices Policy.

If yes, please provide a copy. Available upon request.

4. Do you produce an annual safeguarding report on domestic abuse? The Trust produces an annual safeguarding report and it contains relevant information on Trust activities on domestic abuse within it.

5. Do you conduct internal audits to ensure compliance to the domestic abuse policy?

The Trust conducts internal audits on safeguarding which includes domestic abuse to ensure compliance with policies and processes.

6. Have you conducted training for staff on domestic abuse in the last 12 months? If no, in the last 24 months?

Yes, the Trust Safeguarding Team has provided safeguarding training for staff on domestic abuse on a quarterly basis.

7. How many domestic abuse, stalking and harassment (DASH) risk assessments was completed by the Trust in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020?

The DASH risk assessments were introduced within the Trust in October 2019 and since their introduction there have been 2 risk assessments completed, one in 2019 and one in 2020.

8. How many domestic abuse, stalking and harassment (DASH) referrals were made by the Trust to a Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020?

The Trust has submitted 1 domestic abuse, stalking and harassment (DASH) referral in 2018 to a Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on the email address provided below.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for this to be investigated internally.

If you are dissatisfied with the information you have received, you have the right to ask for an internal review.

Both processes will be handled in accordance with our Trust's Freedom of Information Policy and the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Internal investigation and internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Freedom of Information Review, The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust, Clatterbridge Road, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 4JY

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal investigation/review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

In order for us to ensure customer satisfaction and to monitor compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we would be grateful if you could take a couple of minutes to complete a short feedback form via the link below:

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