

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

1. How many reports of incidents within the Trust involving physical or sexual violence by mental health patients against NHS staff were reported every year between 2014 and present, broken down by month

The data provided in this response has been extracted from the Adverse Incident Reporting Systems for the former North Essex Partnership NHS Trust (NEPT), the former South Essex NHS Foundation NHS Trust (SEPT) and Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (EPUT). NEPT & SEPT merged on 01/04/2017 to create EPUT.

X3 Trusts													
2014		2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020	
2014 01	98	2015 01	97	2016 01	104	2017 01	106	2018 01	102	2019 01	68	2020 01	78
2014 02	56	2015 02	65	2016 02	105	2017 02	94	2018 02	92	2019 02	54		
2014 03	57	2015 03	58	2016 03	104	2017 03	104	2018 03	91	2019 03	69		
2014 04	57	2015 04	76	2016 04	95	2017 04	109	2018 04	91	2019 04	64		
2014 05	67	2015 05	64	2016 05	109	2017 05	124	2018 05	101	2019 05	89		
2014 06	62	2015 06	75	2016 06	94	2017 06	83	2018 06	90	2019 06	90		
2014 07	60	2015 07	64	2016 07	75	2017 07	102	2018 07	115	2019 07	122		
2014 08	51	2015 08	62	2016 08	93	2017 08	110	2018 08	85	2019 08	115		
2014 09	78	2015 09	81	2016 09	100	2017 09	101	2018 09	80	2019 09	79		
2014 10	80	2015 10	75	2016 10	104	2017 10	128	2018 10	111	2019 10	68		

2014 11	73	2015 11	90	2016 11	129	2017 11	122	2018 11	96	2019 11	110	
2014 12	82	2015 12	81	2016 12	112	2017 12	127	2018 12	83	2019 12	76	

To add context to the above data, the following tables have been provided. These include the percentage outcome/degree of harm resulting from the incidents and shows that 97.9% of all the physical assaults and 100.0% of the alleged sexual assaults resulted in no/low harm. This data has been extracted using the Adverse Incident Reporting Systems for the Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (EPUT). However, this breakdown is not possible for the period prior to the merger of the three Trusts in April 2017 (North Essex Partnership NHS Trust, South Essex NHS Foundation NHS Trust and Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust) due to 3 separate systems being used to record incidents. It would be anticipated the level of harm would be similar to that stated above in the previous years.

Assault - Physical	No Harm	Low Harm	Moderate	Severe	Death	Total
Jan 2019	70.6%	29.4%	-	-	-	100.0%
Feb 2019	62.3%	37.7%	-	-	-	100.0%
Mar 2019	64.3%	31.4%	4.3%	-	-	100.0%
Apr 2019	57.8%	40.6%	1.6%	-	-	100.0%
May 2019	64.0%	32.6%	3.4%	-	-	100.0%
Jun 2019	75.6%	22.2%	2.2%	-	-	100.0%
Jul 2019	68.3%	31.7%	-	-	-	100.0%
Aug 2019	70.7%	27.6%	1.7%	-	-	100.0%
Sep 2019	72.7%	26.0%	1.3%	-	-	100.0%
Oct 2019	72.0%	26.5%	-	1.5%	-	100.0%
Nov 2019	60.6%	34.9%	4.6%	-	-	100.0%
Dec 2019	70.7%	25.3%	4.0%	-	-	100.0%
Total	67.7%	30.2%	2.0%	0.1%	-	100.0%

Sexual Behaviour	No Harm	Low Harm	Moderate	Severe	Death	Total
Jan 2019	100.0%	-	-	-	-	100.0%
Feb 2019	100.0%	-	-	-	-	100.0%
Mar 2019	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apr 2019	-	-	-	-	-	-
May 2019	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jun 2019	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jul 2019	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aug 2019	100.0%	-	-	-	-	100.0%
Sep 2019	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oct 2019	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov 2019	100.0%	-	-	-	-	100.0%
Dec 2019	100.0%	-	-	-	-	100.0%
Total	87.5%	12.5%	-	-	-	100.0%

2. Of that number, how many occurred within an:

a. Inpatient or

6221 were reported as having occurred in mental health inpatient units

b. outpatient setting

241 were reported as having occurred either in an outpatient setting or otherwise off Trust premises

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