

## Freedom of Information Request

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## Information Requested:

1. Does your organisation have a policy that covers sexual safety, specifically preventing episodes of sexual misconduct and sexual violence involving patients, visitors and staff?  
[Yes](#)
2. If your answer to question 1 was yes, please can you forward an electronic copy of the policy to me?  
[See attached document: Sexual Health and Behaviour in In-Patient Units Clinical Guideline \(Reference CG60\) version 2.1](#)
3. If your answer to question 1 was yes, what date did the policy become effective?  
[September 2020](#)
4. If you have updated your policy within the past five years, please can you provide me with an electronic copy of the policy it replaced? If the information is available, please can you specify how your current policy is now different?  
See attached: Clinical Guidelines on Sexual Health and Behaviour in Mental Health Inpatient Units (Reference CG60) version 2.0  
[The guideline was revised to reflect application to all in-patient settings across the Trust, rather than solely the mental health settings. The following points were revised:](#)
  - [Updated reference to link other Trust policies and good practice guidance \(1.4.7 and 1.4.10\).](#)
  - [Change of scope to be inclusive of all Trust premises \(2.3\)](#)
  - [Link to maintaining privacy and dignity \(4.1\)](#)
  - [Reference to service users of 'all ages' \(4.3\) and all clinical settings \(5.1\)](#)
  - [Reference to culture in addition to sexuality and gender \(4.4\)](#)
  - [Updated organisational function to include physical health alongside mental health care \(6.2\)](#)
  - [Update to risk factors to include 'cognitive impairment' \(6.3.1\)](#)
5. Has your organisation accepted vicarious liability for any cases of sexual assault or violence concerning any staff or patients in the past five years (2017 to date) (Please include any cases that may have led to an out of court settlement.)  
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6. If your answer to question 5 was yes, please can you provide figures, specifically for the total number of cases and total compensation paid per year?  
[N/A](#)
  - b) If possible, can you provide a breakdown for each case, specifying year; cost; whether the claimant was a patient, staff member or other (please specify); and whether the perpetrator was a staff member or patient?  
[N/A](#)

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