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I am responding to your request for information received 24 April 2024 and clarified on 20 May. I am sorry for the delay in responding to your request. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Information Rights Coordinator

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113 Web: www.ico.org.uk

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Chief Executive Officer: Lorraine Sunduza

Chair: Eileen Taylor

Request:

Can I please have data on sick days taken by employees within your organisation for the last 5 years. I'm aware you are unable to provide personal information so please just refer to each person as Person1, Person2 etc.

Please provide the information below in CSV file format in the following order of preference:

[Authority name], Calendar Year, Anonymised Person data, Department, Number of days off sick,

Approx cost of sickness absence - Clarification: This is the cost to the

Trust in wages. Reason (if available)

Answer:

The Trust has reviewed your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 40 for the FOI Act states:

(2) This exemption covers the personal data of third parties (anyone other than the requester) where complying with the request would breach any of the principles in the UK GDPR.

The information you have requested on departments relates to less than five individuals and has the potential for those individuals to be identified. The Trust is therefore unable to provide a breakdown by department as requested, but in an effort to be helpful, the Trust is providing the additional information requested in Appendix 1, please see attached.

Chief Executive Officer: Lorraine Sunduza Chair: Eileen Taylor