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I am responding to your request for information received 8 October 2024. 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: <u>www.ico.org.uk</u>

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- Request: I would like to request the following under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000:
- Question 1: For each financial year (April 2019-March 2020, April 2020-March 2021, April 2021-March 2022, April 2022-March 2023 and April 2023-March 2024 or as close to these time frames as possible), please provide:
  A) The number of Prevent referrals made by your Trust?
  B) The number of your Trust's Prevent referrals that have been discussed at the Channel Panel?
  C) The number of people that your Trust referred under Prevent who received Channel support?
- Answer: Please see attached Appendix 1.
- Question 2: For A), B) and C) can you please provide where possible the numbers distributed by:
  - i. Whether the referral was made by a mental health
  - service/department, or a non-mental health service/department? ii. The ethnic groups of the referred people?
  - iii. The religious/faith groups of the referred people?
  - iv. The type of concern?
- Answer: Please see attached Appendix 1.
- Question 3: All recorded information in the form of (i)Correspondence including emails & letters, (ii)Documents, (iii)Meeting Minutes - held by or on behalf of the Trust since October 1st 2023, referencing the terms ['Prevent' or 'Prevent Duty' or 'Prevent Referral'] collocated with the terms ['Palestine' or 'Palestinian' or 'Gaza' or 'Israel' or 'Israeli' or 'Middle East'].
- Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 3 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 24 of the FOI Act states:

(1)Information which does not fall within section 23(1) is exempt information if exemption from section 1(1)(b) is required for the purpose of safeguarding national security.

(2)The duty to confirm or deny does not arise if, or to the extent that, exemption from section 1(1)(a) is required for the purpose of safeguarding national security

The Trust is unable to confirm or deny if such information is held by the Trust, as such information would concern the safeguarding of the national security of the UK. Disclosure of any such information, if held, would have the potential to harm National Security and would not be considered in the public interest. For this reason, such an exemption has been applied.

