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Email:

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Dear,

### **Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2019, with regards to allegations of sexual misconduct.

#### **Request / Response**

1. For each of the last five calendar years, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018, please state the number of allegations received of:
  - a) Sexual misconduct  
**Response: 0 (for all years)**
  - b) Sexual harassment  
**Response: 0 (for all years)**
  - c) Sexual assault  
**Response: 0 (for all years)**
  - d) Rape  
**Response: 0 (for all years)**
  
2. For each of the above allegations received, please state:
  - a) Whether the alleged victim was a member of the public, patient or health worker  
**Response: N/A**
  - b) Whether the alleged perpetrator was a member of the public, patient or health worker  
**Response: N/A**
  - c) Brief details of allegations  
**Response: N/A**

d) Outcome of case i.e. for instance if the alleged perpetrator was a member of staff were they cautioned, disciplined or sacked

**Response: N/A**

e) Whether allegation was referred to police

**Response: N/A**

3. For each of the last five calendar years, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018, please state the number of allegations received where the alleged victim was under the age of 18 of:

a) Sexual misconduct

**Response: N/A**

b) Sexual harassment

**Response: N/A**

c) Sexual assault

**Response: N/A**

d) Rape

**Response: N/A**

4. For each of the above allegations received re alleged victims under 18, please state:

a) Whether the alleged victim was a member of the public, patient or health worker

**Response: N/A**

b) Whether the alleged perpetrator was a member of the public, patient or health worker

**Response: N/A**

c) Brief synopsis of allegations

**Response: N/A**

d) Outcome of case i.e. for instance if the alleged perpetrator was a member of staff were they cautioned, disciplined or sacked

**Response: N/A**

e) Whether allegation was referred to police

**Response: N/A**

5. Please state the number of non-disclosure agreements your organisation holds with current or former staff which involve or relate to sexual misconduct, sexual

harassment, sexual assault, rape or other sexual offences. For each of these, please state the number and financial value of the settlements.

**Response:** The organisation does not hold any non-disclosure agreements with current or former staff as a result of sexual misconduct, sexual harassment, sexual assault, rape or other sexual offences.

6. Please provide any official definitions your organisation uses to classify allegations of a sexual nature and any official guidance/flow charts for dealing with such cases.

**Response:** The CCG has a Management of Allegations Policy and Procedure <http://nww.liverpoolccg.nhs.uk/media/2147/management-of-allegations-policy-aug-2016.pdf>. According to this, physical and sexual assault or abuse is defined in the NHS England Serious Incident Framework (2015)

We wish to take this opportunity to inform you that a formal complaints and internal review procedure is available to applicants who are unhappy with responses provided to FOI requests. You can formally request an internal review within a reasonable period of time (2 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

Where you are not satisfied with the decision of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a further review of that decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure in the first instance.

The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioners Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

[www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Should you require any further information, clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

Yours sincerely,

**Corporate Services Team  
NHS Liverpool CCG**