

FOI REF: 21/231

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

I am writing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, regarding the training of surgeons in all hospitals under your jurisdiction.

- 1. How many surgeons have been offered training following a serious incident in the years 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021 (so far)? Please provide a breakdown by year.**

For each of these, please provide a description of the incident and the training offered.

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Surgeon was sent to another Trust for 3 months remedial training.

- 2. How many surgeons have failed revalidation in the years 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021 (so far)? Please provide a breakdown by year.**

For each case where a surgeon has failed their revalidation process, please include details of what led to the failure.

Revalidation cannot be 'failed' as such. There are three recommendations that can be made by the Responsible Officer of any Designated Body to the GMC. These are 'recommend', 'defer' or 'non-engagement'. Since the inception of Revalidation by the GMC, no doctor with a prescribed connection to the Responsible Officer at East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust has been referred to the GMC for non-engagement.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, please write to Lynette Wells, Director of Corporate Affairs, East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust (lynette.wells2@nhs.net) quoting the above reference.

Yours sincerely

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