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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:

1. **How many assaults were committed against the following staff by either patients or persons in the hospital who are not patients.**

**Doctors, Consultants and trainee doctors**  
**Nurses of all grades including health Care assistants**  
**All Clinical Staff**  
**All Medical Staff**

The system we use to record information does not break down to the levels described above. Staff are recorded as ESHT employees/Volunteers regardless of their grade or job role.

2. **How many the assaults were reported to the police**

We do not hold this information. Please contact Sussex Police for this information via the following link:

<https://www.sussex.police.uk/rqo/request/ri/request-information/rip/request-information-police/request-information-about-police/FOI-request-form/>

3. **How many of the assaults which reported to the police had a criminal justice outcome, a criminal justice outcome is defined as charge, caution, conviction, acquittal.**

**Please can you provide the data separately for each year of the years 2018, 2019, 2020, and 1st Jan 2021 until 1st December 2021.**

Please see answer for question 2.

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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 the Freedom of Information Department ([esh-tr.foi@nhs.net](mailto:esh-tr.foi@nhs.net)), quoting the above reference.

Yours sincerely

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