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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 under the Freedom of Information Act, regarding use of and provision for the DASH checklist, aka Domestic Abuse, Stalking and Honour Based Violence

- 1. Is the DASH RIC used by your organisation as part of services (e.g. domestic abuse provision, victim support)?**

The DASH is available for staff to use, but we have an in-house screening tool for routine enquiry. The DASH is used by the Health Independent domestic violence advocate (HIDVA).

- 2. Is the use of DASH RIC a standard provision or a requirement in contracts with third-party providers of relevant services (e.g. domestic abuse services, sheltered housing)?**

Please see above, the DASH is used by the HIDVA.

- 3. If the DASH checklist is used by your organisation, which organisation or organisations provide the training that includes DASH training? (e.g. Domestic Abuse Matters training)**

Training in domestic abuse, is by the Health Independent Domestic Violence Advocate. A more extensive training is provided externally by the safeguarding adults and children's boards.

- 4. What is the cost to your organisation of such training? Please break this down by financial year over the last five years, as well as by organisation (if more than one organisation provides the relevant training)**

We are not charged for the Safeguarding adults/children's board training as we are part of the board membership.

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

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Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

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Yours sincerely

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