

FOI REF: 25/749

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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:

- Can you provide a breakdown of sexual offences which have been reported in your trust for the last three financial years (2022/23, 2023/24 and 2024/25)**

Please see the table below for the number of sexual offences which have been reported within East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust for the period requested:

2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
20	19	25

- Can this be broken down by whether the person making the accusation is a member of staff, a patient, or a member of the public.**

Please see the table below for the number of sexual offences reported within the Trust, broken down as requested:

	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Staff	12	7	17
patient	6	5	8
public	2	7	0

- How many staff members at your trust have been disciplined over the last three financial years (2022/23, 2023/24 and 2024/25) in relation to a sexual offence?**

Please see the table below for the number of staff that have been disciplined, in relation to a sexual offence, during the period requested:

2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
1	0	3

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4. How many staff members at your trust have been dismissed over the last three financial years (2022/23, 2023/24 and 2024/25) in relation to a sexual offence?

Please see the table below for the number of staff that have been dismissed, in relation to a sexual offence, during the period requested:

2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
2	1	4

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, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department (esh-tr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

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

The Information Commissioner's Office
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Yours sincerely

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