

Request title:

Ethics Committee - Minutes/Documents on Disabilities

Reference Number: F3044

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The information requested below is the Eastern services and for times periods March 2020 to April 2021.

1. I would like to make a request under FOI. I would like to see any minutes or documents that were sent or received by the Trust's Ethics Committee in relation to Clinical treatment of patients with disabilities (physical or learning) since March 2020 to date.
2. I would also like to see any correspondence that was received by the Ethics committee from any medical staff in relation to the above. If you are not able to release this because of data protection, please let me know when the email/letter was sent and the substance of the request.

The Trust has not had any ethics committees relating to the issues listed.

The Freedom of Information Act does not oblige a public authority to create information to answer a request if the requested information is not held. It does not place a duty upon public authorities to answer a question unless recorded information exists. The Freedom of Information duty is to only provide the recorded information held.

We can confirm that our Trust does not hold the information that you have requested. To establish whether the information was held we made enquiries with our Trust Governance Team.

If the information was held by the Trust, it would have to be held by the above-mentioned department.