

Email Address:

28th January 2020

Our Ref:

Dear

Re: Request for information – Freedom of Information Act 2000

I refer to your email dated 22nd January 2020 and please see below the Northern Health and Social Care Trust's (the 'Trust') response to the information you requested.

Trust decisions in relation to the release of information that the Trust holds are governed by the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000, the Data Protection Act (DPA) 2018 and other pieces of associated legislation.

Could you please tell me how much the Trust paid out in medical negligence claims over the last five years? Can this figure also be broken down by year and number of cases?

Calendar Year	Total Payments Made	Total Number of Cases
2015	£2,914,550.34	85
2016	£7,034,988.89	78
2017	£7,585,728.23	79
2018	£3,587,297.41	62
2019	£5,176,670.10	68

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's decision regarding your request, you may request a review of the decision by writing to me within two calendar months of the date of this letter. You also may make a complaint to the Information Commissioner, by putting your complaint in writing to the following address.

The Information Commissioner's Office
FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution Team
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF.

However, I would advise you that the Information Commissioner's Office will not normally consider your appeal until you have exhausted the Trust's internal review process.

Yours sincerely,

(Electronically sent; therefore, not signed)

Information Governance Officer