

Direct Line: 01623 672232
Our Ref: 663
E-mail: sfh-tr.foi.requests@nhs.net

King's Mill Hospital
Mansfield Road
Sutton in Ashfield
Nottinghamshire
NG17 4JL

16th April 2025

Tel: 01623 622515
Join today: www.sfh-tr.nhs.uk

[REDACTED]

Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000 - Request for Information Reference: Learning from Deaths Guidance issued by NHS England

I am writing in response to your request for information under the FOI 2000.

I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below. Please accept our sincere apologies for the delay.

Home, Community, Hospital.

FOI Request / Question	Question Response	Is there an exemption?	Exemption	Exemption Details
1a. Does your trust currently comply with the requirements of the Learning from Deaths Guidance?	Yes			
1b. If not do you have any plans to comply with it and if so by when?	N/A			
2a. How many deaths were reported within your trust during the reporting period 2023/24?	1768			
2b. How many of these deaths were reviewed, and how many were judged more likely than not to have been avoidable?	All deaths were reviewed. 120 deaths had Royal College of Physicians' Structured judgement review (RCP SJR) 4 deaths have been investigated and reported on Strategic executive Information System (STEIS) or had a Patient safety incident investigation (PSII) where the harm has been Trust attributable (there has been a problem in care contributing to death).			

2

Home, Community, Hospital.

	We do not routinely apply the avoidability assessment.			
2c. Have you published quarterly reports on learning from deaths on your website, as required by the guidance? Please provide links to the most recent reports		Yes	Section 21	Under Section 21 of the Act, the Trust is not required to provide information in response to a request if it is already reasonably accessible to you. The information you requested is available here: https://www.sfh-tr.nhs.uk/about-us/our-board-of-directors/future-meeting-dates-and-board-meeting-papers/?id=17181
2d. Is information on learning from deaths included in your latest Quality Account?	No			
3a. Are families and carers involved in the review process where appropriate?	Initial review of death - all families are approached for input by bereavement team. However they are not part of SJR process but are involved in STEIS/ PSII level reviews.			
3b. Please provide the number of deaths that were reviewed in this period (2023/24) where families and carers were involved and engaged in the review	1728			
4. Please provide a summary of all actions taken as a result		Yes	Section 21	Under Section 21 of the Act, the Turst is not required to provide information in response to a request if it is

3

Home, Community, Hospital.

of the learning from deaths process in the last reporting period				already reasonably accessible to you. The information you requested is available here: https://www.sfh-tr.nhs.uk/about-us/our-board-of-directors/future-meeting-dates-and-board-meeting-papers/?id=17181
--	--	--	--	--

I trust this information answers your request. Should you have any further enquiries or queries about this response please do not hesitate to contact me. However, if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Sally Brook Shanahan, Director of Corporate Affairs, King's Mill Hospital, Mansfield Road, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, NG17 4JL or email sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net.

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office, who will consider whether we have complied with our obligations under the Act and can require us to remedy any problems. Generally, the Information Commissioner's Office cannot decide unless you have exhausted the internal review procedure. You can find out more about how to do this, and about the Act in general, on the Information Commissioner's Office website at: <https://ico.org.uk/your-data-matters/official-information/>.

Complaints to the Information Commissioner's Office should be sent to FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution, Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Telephone 0303 1231113, email casework@ico.org.uk.

If you would like this letter or information in an alternative format, for example large print or easy read, or if you need help with communicating with us, for example because you use British Sign Language, please let us know. You can call us on 01623 672232 or email sfh-tr.foi.requests@nhs.net.

Yours faithfully

Information Governance Team

All information we have provided is subject to the provisions of the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2015. Accordingly, if the information has been made available for re-use under the [Open Government Licence](#) (OGL) a request to re-use is not required, but the licence conditions must be met. You must not re-use any previously unreleased information without having the consent from Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. Should you wish to re-use previously unreleased information then you must make your request in writing. All requests for re-use will be responded to within 20 working days of receipt.