**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION**

**REF: 2026-37**
**Subject: Request for Assault Attendances to Emergency Department 2025**

**Dear Sir/Madam,**

Thank you for your email dated **13/01/2026** where you requested information about **Request for Assault Attendances to Emergency Department 2025.**

The information you requested is enclosed.

| Question | Answer |
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| We are conducting an annual national study of attendances to Emergency Departments for assault-related injury and will be grateful if your department could provide us with attendance data for 2025. This data will be used, as in previous years, to analyse trends in violence in England and Wales from injury perspective.<br><br>The data we require are as follows (for period 1st January 2025 and 31st December 2025) in an electronic format that allows us to read the data into a database. Many hospitals respond to our survey and provide data in the form we require. Preferably this format is in an excel file or comma separated text file. | Please find attached |
| Data required (for period between 1st January 2025 and 31st December 2025)<br>• We require the gender of the patient (M or F), the date that they attended due to assault (dd/mm/yyyy) and their age. Age can either be numerical to the nearest year (preferred) or in age bands ("0-10", "11-17", "18-30", "31-50", "51+"), we can also accept date of birth. | |
| To calculate the level of assault-related injury in England and Wales we also require the total number of | |

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| attendances for any reason in the year of interest, i.e., 2025. | |
| Please also include the names of hospitals (including Minor Injury Units and Walk-in Centres) providing assault data. | |

If you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the Freedom of Information Department. It would be helpful to quote the above reference number in any future communication.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to The Chief Executive, Bolton NHS Foundation Trust, The Royal Bolton Hospital, Minerva Road, Farnworth, Bolton. BL4 0JR.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner. Generally the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by Bolton NHS Foundation Trust. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire. SK9 5AF.

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**Yours sincerely,**

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