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Freedom of information request

I am writing in response to your request for information which has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Your questions and our response are below.

(1) Are staff in your Trust made aware (through circulated information, training, or any other mechanism) that, in accordance with the Modern Slavery Act 2015 s52 and Modern Slavery Act 2015 (Duty to Notify) Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/1743) (Regulations), they are encouraged to submit any suspected cases of modern slavery and human trafficking using the MS1 form to the National Crime Agency? **Yes**

If YES:

(2)(a) Do you provide any training to staff on undertaking this voluntary submission process, including any training that takes place in conjunction with the National Referral Mechanism and Safeguarding requirements? **Modern Slavery is discussed during Adult Safeguarding training for all staff. Links to the NCA and the MS1 form are being added to the Safeguarding Adults Intranet page for staff to access.**

(2)(b) If recorded, how many MS1 form were submitted by persons in your Trust to the National Crime Agency since the inception of the Modern Slavery Act last year? **We do not record this information; you will need to contact the national crime agency direct.**

If NO:

(3)(a) Is the development of advice on the process of using the MS1 form alongside the National Referral Mechanism and Safeguarding forthcoming? **n/a**

(3)(b) Are you planning on requiring staff to complete the Human Trafficking Programme for NHS healthcare staff via the Electronic Staff Record (ESR)? **n/a**