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1. Between 2013- 2017 what is the number of inquests per year your trust has dealt with. (For example 2013 – 35 inquests, 2014 – 40 inquests, 2015 – 45 inquests etc)

2013	60
2014	48
2015	84
2016	73
2017	105
Totals:	370

2. Are inquests dealt with specifically by your legal department or another separate department? *Inquests are dealt with by the Legal Services Department.*

3. Between 2013 – 2017 what is the number per year of combined clinical negligence and employer/public liability cases dealt with by your Trust. (Example 2013 – 35 cases, 2014 – 40 cases, 2015 – 45 cases etc) This refers to legal cases which are at all stages; whether disclosure or where allegations have been made. *We do not have combined claim types recorded on our system. Only one option can be selected.*

4. What is the number of personnel within your legal department? (Please also count any additional personnel who may be involved in administrative and/or support roles i.e. collating records, assisting with inquests administration, who are shared between Legal and other departments, any part time staff **and if there is a separate department which only deals with inquests**) *We have 4 staff within the legal department.*