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Dear Dr Alexander,

REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Further to your enquiry, which we received on 4 August 2020, you requested the following information:

HCPC referrals by West Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust

Please advise since 1 April 2018,

- 1. How many referrals has the trust made to the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC)
- 2. Can the trust please provide a broad breakdown of the reasons for these referrals
- 3. Can the trust please provide a broad breakdown of the outcomes of these referrals

Response

The Trust has not previously kept a central record of such referrals being made. Each referral is also reviewed on a case by case basis.

Going forward the Trust has recently introduced a digital ER tracker system which will include reference to any referrals made to an external body (i.e. HCPC, NMC).

If you are dissatisfied with our response you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner:

In the first instance you may write to the Chief Executive Officer of this Trust

Anthony Marsh
Regional Headquarters
Millennium Point
Waterfront Way
Brierley Hill
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Tel: 01384 215555

The Chief Executive Officer will then appoint a nominated deputy to oversee and respond to the appeal with their approval.

Should you disagree with the contents of this letter you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

 Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire. SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113 www.ico.org.uk

If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

Aimee Summers Freedom of Information Officer