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## Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 03 March 2020.

## I am pleased to confirm the following.

1) Please tell me how many times your trust has logged an incident of racist or discriminatory behaviour from patients towards staff in 2019.

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- 2) For the five most recent cases, please tell me
- a) the job title of the member of staff against whom the behaviour was levelled
- b) a brief summary of the content of the complaint (e.g. patient said he didn't want a 'black doctor', raised his voice and used profanities)
- c) the action taken by the Trust

| Job Title     | Description  | Investigation Findings/ Recommendations                                     |
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| Health Care   | During the Dinner serving, I entered the room to give patient his  | Advised staff to assess risk at all the time.                               |
| Assistant     | food , he started shouting at me : "F*** off, I don't want any food,   | Be firm, encourage patient but considerate to attend with his needs.        |
|               | take it away you Polish c***. "  | Observe and check on patient every 10 to 15 minutes.                        |
|               |  | Continued to support staff, patient, other patients on the ward and         |
|               | After saying to patient that he needs to stop swearing and lower   | relatives   |
|               | his voice patient shouted " You f***ing foreigners, go back to your country."  | Continued mental health input, medication prescribed and with social input. |
| Health Care   | Patient continued to shout and scream stating that I was a F*cking   | Advised and supported staff to risk assess prior attending patient.         |
| Assistant     | Black Nigger that needed to go back to my own country.   | be firm but considerate of his care needs                                   |
|               |  | Leave the room when angry and swearing to go back to attend when            |
|               |  | calmed down.  |
|               |  | Encourage patient and divert his mind with any other activities when        |
|               |  | patient allows but patient not in a mood to discuss anything nicely at all. |
| Staff Nurse   | He started calling us all racist names and saying we are morons. He  | Patient moved to a side room, more settled. Call bell repaired              |
|               | said we left our countries to come here to give him what he wants.   |   |
|               | He said we are not even trained nurses but a bunch of idiots with  |   |
|               | no colour.   |   |
|               | He said he does not want a black nurse to serve him but he wants a white nurse.  |   |
| Senior Sister | brought in by ambulance, refusing to give name, intoxicated. when staff tried to carry out observations/tests, became verbally abusive | Security are aware and will monitor, review and address as necessary        |
|               | to staff, using racist & threatening language, causing staff to fear   |   |
|               | for their safety. dr was asked to see but he was racially and verbally   |   |
|               | abusive to him too   |   |
| Security      | On arrival, the patient was very agitated saying "F***** Pakistani,  | patient well known to security and site manager. Police have spoken to      |
|               | you should go back home" to both Security Officers.  | patient on several occasions with regards to his behaviour.                 |
| Nurses        | ,  |   |
|               | The nurses also reported that the patient was racially abusive   |   |
|               | towards them saying "F***** monkeys, you need to go back   |   |
|               | home".   |   |

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Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Co-ordinator For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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