

Wednesday 21 May 2025

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on Tuesday 13 May March 2025. I am pleased to confirm the following.

The number of referrals made by your NHS Trust to other authorities - such as the police or social services - when there was a suspicion that a child is a victim of exploitation (sexual, criminal, gang-based grooming) for the years 2010 (or earliest available year of data) - 2024 inclusive.

November 2023- present: 17 referrals of children who have attended MKUH where exploitation has been a concern.

The number of risks assessments conducted on children where there was concern that they had been the victim of child sexual exploitation (using the same timeframe as above).

Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) formal risk assessments are the responsibility of community-based services and local authority partners. Any child that accesses our services that are identified, they are referred on to the relevant services.

Details of your NHS Trusts' CSE safeguarding arrangements, including work in multi-agency partnerships.

Our Trust is a member of the local Safeguarding Partnership, working collaboratively with statutory and voluntary agencies to fulfil our legal responsibilities in protecting children and young people. In line with our statutory duties, we play a key role in addressing Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE), contributing to the identification, prevention, and disruption of exploitation through coordinated multi-agency efforts.

The Trust Safeguarding Team is involved in weekly Contextual Safeguarding meetings, where intelligence sharing, risk assessment, and implementation of targeted interventions. This collaborative approach ensures that safeguarding responses are informed by the wider social and environmental contexts affecting children's lives, enabling more effective and holistic strategies to best safeguard children.

The number of staff employed by your NHS Trust who have received training on CSE

Mandatory Training Compliance

Quarter 4 data 2024/2025

Safeguarding Adults training compliance - 94%.

Safeguarding Children training compliance - 86%.

If you are unhappy with the information received in response to this request, please address your complaint to the Patient Affairs Office at Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, Standing Way, Eaglestone, Milton Keynes MK6 5LD. If, after exhausting our internal process, you are still unhappy with the information received, you may write to the Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

If you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the address above.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Co-ordinator

For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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