

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 12 October 2018.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

- 1) Please state the number of deaths in service [ie: during employment, but not necessarily on the premises or during working hours] of nursing staff employed by your organisation since 2012.**

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- 2) (i) Please state how many of the total deaths were recorded, known or otherwise suspected to be suicide?**

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(ii) Please state what the different categories of cause of death were recorded as, for the purposes of the organisation's own reporting and recording. For example; cancer, heart failure, suicide etc.

The Trust records 'Death in Service' only for the purposes of its Electronic Service Record

- 3) Please include copies of any 'death in service' procedure or policy the organisation uses.**

The Trust uses the NHS Pension Scheme death in service procedure which is freely available on the NHS Business Services Authority website

- 4) Please describe if there is any work in progress to address mental health needs or suicide risk among your nursing workforce, or alternatively where there have been suicides whether there have been any changes in workplace practices as a result?**

The Trust Board has been trained in the accredited Mental Health First Aid programme; this is now being rolled out across the Trust. The Trust has also recently outlined its mental health support by promoting its various support avenues for World Mental Health Day (attached) and has completed a series of Suicide Awareness workshops. The Trust has also recently revised its Rooftop Incidents policy to take account of colleagues and service users with mental health conditions and at risk of suicide.

The Trust also has an active Peer 2 Peer staff support scheme.

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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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