

Freedom of Information Act 2000

The Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust Response to Information request

Date Request Received: 27th May 2025

FOI Ref No 28983

Requested Information:

1. Please can you tell me the number of concerns and complaints that you have received about staff and sexual abuse or sexual misconduct. If possible, please provide the data for number of complaints by patients and a second figure for number of complaints by staff about colleagues. Please provide figure by year.
2. Please provide the figure for how many health professionals had complaints or concerns raised about them so I can see if some health professionals had multiple concerns or complaints raised. Please provide figure for the total time period.
3. Please tell me how many investigations or inquiries you have had in total about sexual misconduct or sexual abuse and how many relate to the same health professional.
4. For the above, provide figures for the last ten years or as early as you can easily capture from your systems.

Response:

1. Please see the detail of sexual abuse or Sexual misconduct cases raised against staff through the people experience team; broken down by year and detail of if the complaint was raised by a patient or colleague.

| Year | Number of cases | Claim made by patient or colleague |
|------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| 2020 | 1 | Colleague |
| 2021 | 1 | Colleague and patient |
| 2022 | 1 | Colleague |
| 2023 | 4 | 4 x Colleague |
| 2024 | 3 | 3 x colleague |

2. There were 10 cases raised against 10 different employees, no multiple cases in the formal processes were logged for sexual harassment or sexual misconduct.

3. 10 cases logged of investigations or inquiries about sexual misconduct or sexual abuse, and none relate to the same health professional.
4. This is the data that is provided as we have only had a system tracking cases since 2020 so are unable to report prior to this date.

Attachment(s):

No Attachment(s)

Date Response sent: 1st July 2025