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Our Ref: TSD10932

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Dear Sir/Madam

Request for Information

We are writing to confirm that we have now completed our search for the information you requested.

A copy of the information is below:

Please provide the number of deaths in each of the last five financial years (2021/22 to 2025/26), with a year-by-year breakdown, which were subject to a patient safety review, investigation or process (including deaths that were reviewed, investigated or otherwise considered under the trust's mortality review processes, Learning from Deaths reviews, Patient Safety Incident Response Framework (PSIRF), Patient Safety Incident Investigations (PSII), Serious Incident (SI) reviews, or equivalent governance, review or investigation processes), in each of the following categories:

- 1. Deaths of patients while admitted to an inpatient mental health setting managed by the trust.**
- 2. Deaths of patients living in the community who, at the time of death, were under the care of a community mental health team managed by the trust.**
- 3. Deaths of patients who died after absconding from inpatient mental health care, being absent without leave (AWOL), or otherwise being recorded as missing from a service managed by the trust.**

Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust do not provide specialist mental health services and therefore does not hold the information requested in relation to patients who died while receiving care from such services.

Specialist mental health services in the local area are provided by Devon Partnership NHS Trust (DPT), which may hold the requested information. You may therefore wish to submit your request directly to DPT.

You can submit an FOI request by email to: dpt.ig@nhs.net, or by letter to:

Information Governance Team

Devon Partnership NHS Trust

Prentice

Langdon Hospital

Exeter Road

Dawlish

EX7 0NR

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If you wish to discuss any of the above, please contact us, quoting the FOI reference number above.

If you are unhappy with the way in which we have handled your request, please contact the Data Protection and Freedom of Information Lead in the first instance. If you wish to make a formal complaint, you should write to our Information Governance Team at Information Governance and Data Protection, Belmont Court, Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust, Torquay, TQ2 7AA or by email to tsdft.igteam@nhs.net

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint or the internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner will only make a decision once you have exhausted the complaints and/or internal review process provided by us. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or through this link <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/>

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Team