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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding sexual allegations within NHS Southport and Formby CCG.

Request/Response:

1. For each of the last five calendar years, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018, please state the number of allegations received of:
 - Sexual misconduct
 - Sexual harassment
 - Sexual assault
 - Rape
2. For each of the above allegations received, please state:
 - a) Whether the alleged victim was a member of the public, patient or health worker
 - b) Whether the alleged perpetrator was a member of the public, patient or health worker
 - c) Brief details of allegations
 - d) Outcome of case ie for instance if the alleged perpetrator was a member of staff were they cautioned, disciplined or sacked
 - e) Whether allegation was referred to police
3. For each of the last five calendar years, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018, please state the number of allegations received where the alleged victim was under the age of 18 of:
 - a) Sexual misconduct
 - b) Sexual harassment
 - c) Sexual assault
 - d) Rape

4. For each of the above allegations received re alleged victims under 18, please state:
 - a) Whether the alleged victim was a member of the public, patient or health worker
 - b) Whether the alleged perpetrator was a member of the public, patient or health worker
 - c) Brief synopsis of allegations
 - d) Outcome of case ie for instance if the alleged perpetrator was a member of staff were they cautioned, disciplined or sacked
 - e) Whether allegation was referred to police

5. Please state the number of non disclosure agreements your organisation holds with current or former staff which involve or relate to sexual misconduct, sexual harassment, sexual assault, rape or other sexual offences. For each of these, please state the number and financial value of the settlements.

For Questions 1-5 – Nil

Please provide any official definitions your organisation uses to classify allegations of a sexual nature and any official guidance/flow charts for dealing with such cases.

Please see below link for NHS Southport and Formby CCG Safeguarding Children and Adults as Risk Policy which contains the official definitions used by the CCG.
<https://www.southportandformbyccg.nhs.uk/media/3290/march-sf-ccg-safeguarding-policy.pdf>