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Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), which was received by the Human Tissue Authority (HTA) on 15 January 2020. Your email outlined the following request:

I have seen that the HTA regularly answers FOI questions about HTA reportable incidents reported in a given year.

E.g. here:

https://www.hta.gov.uk/sites/default/files/HTA%20Freedom%20of%20Information%20Request%20Response%20-%20191217 1.pdf and here:

https://www.hta.gov.uk/sites/default/files/Freedom%20of%20Information%20Request%20Response%20Letter 9.pdf

I have been collating the information given in these various FOIs. But often, the tables provided give the name of an establishment only, and if the name is a common one for a hospital it is unclear which hospital is being referred to.

In each of the HTA reportable incidents below, can I ask which hospitals were the subject of the incidents?

Year	Month	Establishment	Incident classification
2015		Musgrove Park Hospital (can I check this is the hospital in the South West, not the Musgrave Park Hospital in Northern Ireland?)	Accidental damage to a body
2014	Jan	QE II Hospital	Release of wrong body

2018	Apr	Queen Elizabeth Hospital	Any incident not listed here that could result in adverse publicity that may lead to damage in public confidence
2015	Apr	Queen Elizabeth Hospital	Accidental damage to a body
2015	Mar	Queen's Hospital	Accidental damage to a body
2015	Mar	Royal Victoria Hospital	Inadvertent disposal or retention of an organ against the express wishes of the family
2014	Jul	Royal Victoria Hospital	Any incident not listed here that could result in adverse publicity that may lead to damage in public confidence
2014	Aug	Royal Victoria Hospital Any incident not listed that could result in advipublicity that may lead damage in public confidence.	
2016		Royal Victoria Hospital	Accidental damage to a body
2015	Apr	St Mary's Hospital	Major equipment failure
2015	Jun	St Mary's Hospital	Serious security breach
2015	Sep	St Mary's Hospital	Viewing of the wrong body
2014	Feb	St Michael's Hospital	Accidental damage to a body

Response

Establishment names and locations are provided in the table below.

Year	Month	Establishment	Incident classification	Establishment name and location
2015	Jul	Musgrove Park Hospital	Accidental damage to a body	Musgrove Park Hospital, Taunton, Somerset
2014	Jan	QE II Hospital	Release of wrong body	QE II Hospital, Stevenage, Hertfordshire
2018	Apr	Queen Elizabeth Hospital	Any incident not listed here that could result in adverse publicity that may lead to damage in public confidence	Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Gateshead, Tyne and Wear
2015	Apr	Queen Elizabeth Hospital	Accidental damage to a body	Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn, Norfolk

2015	Mar	Queen's Hospital	Accidental damage to a body	Queen's Hospital, Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire
2015	Mar	Royal Victoria Hospital	Inadvertent disposal or retention of an organ against the express wishes of the family	Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast
2014	Jul	Royal Victoria Hospital	Any incident not listed here that could result in adverse publicity that may lead to damage in public confidence	Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast
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2016		Royal Victoria Hospital	Accidental damage to a body	Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast
2015	Apr	St Mary's Hospital	Major equipment failure	St Mary's Hospital, London
2015	Jun	St Mary's Hospital	Serious security breach	St Mary's Hospital, Newport, Isle of Wight
2015	Sep	St Mary's Hospital	Viewing of the wrong body	St Mary's Hospital, London
2014	Feb	St Michael's Hospital	Accidental damage to a body	St Michael's Hospital, Bristol

Further information

If you are unhappy with the way the HTA has handled your request for information in this case, you may in the first instance ask us for an internal review by writing to us at the above postal or email address.

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have the right to appeal directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision, at the address below. There is no charge for making an appeal.

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Website: <u>www.ico.gov.uk</u>

Yours sincerely