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RE Official Information Act request CDHB 10084

I refer to your email dated 18 April 2019 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB specifically.

- **All statistical information related to staff incidents at Hillmorton Hospital over the least three financial years? Please break it down by incident and by financial year.**

The information should include, but not be limited to, all reported incidents at Hillmorton, separated into categories in your incident management system (such as physical assaults, verbal abuse and sexual threats).

The data below (**Table one**) is supplied from our incident management system, Safety 1st. Incidents involving staff can be reported in two ways in the system – on Employee event forms and on Patient Behaviour forms. This data is drawn from the patient behaviour form as this is the most comprehensive data set.

The data set below includes events reported that identify a mental health services staff member at Hillmorton Hospital as being directly involved in the incident. Each category of incident includes a number of sub-categories, these have been collated for clarity:

Table one:

Specific Event Type	Financial year		
	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018
Verbal Abuse	236	408	284
Accidental Harm	4	3	1
Physical Assault	452	504	440
Sexual Assault	17	19	31
Physical Threat	167	213	275
Sexual threats / comments	53	55	33
Verbal threats	124	142	159
Total	1047	1332	1209

I trust that this satisfies your interest in this matter.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Canterbury DHB website after your receipt of this response.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carolyn Gullery', with a long, sweeping underline.

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