

Ref FOI17 450  
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Dear Sir/Madam

**Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**

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Please find below/attached the Isle of Wight NHS Trust's response to your request.

**Would it be possible to obtain data for patient suicide/suicidal attempts, attended by the IOW Ambulance Service within the dates of 2012-2017, with data broken down to represent annual figures of this category.**

Response – The Isle of Wight Ambulance Service as part of the Isle of Wight NHS Trust - is unable to provide this data as crew clinical impressions would include a wide variety of scenarios that may be suicide attempts – for example to include but not limited to the following: overdose, intoxication, fall etc. To review all the Electronic Patient Care Reports would require examination of the ambulance records. To do this for every record would take in excess of 18 hours, and as such would be exempt from provision under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

**Additionally, could you confirm which suicide assessment tool the IOW Ambulance Service uses?**

Response - The suicide tool used by Isle of Wight Ambulance is the Ambulance JRCALC 2016 IPAP (Intent, Plan, Action, Protective Measures).

The Isle of Wight NHS Trust came into existence on 1 April 2012 and does not hold information prior to this date. If you require information prior to this date, please contact the Department of Health.

Please note that this response does not constitute consent for direct marketing.

The Isle of Wight NHS Trust serves a resident population of 140,000 with a substantial influx of tourists during the summer months. The Trust provides acute, ambulance, community, maternity, mental health services on the Isle of Wight. As the only fully integrated service provider in England with this unique range of services comparisons with other service providers are not always straightforward.

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Information Commissioner  
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Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you have any further questions.

Yours faithfully

**Freedom of Information Team**

