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Dear

**Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act**

Thank you for your email of 26 September, making a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested the following information and the Trust is able to provide the information below in response:

**Request:**

1) Has any forensic/psychiatric hospital or treatment/assessment centre within your trust adapted the HCR20 risk scoring tool to include criteria on radicalisation and/or extremism? If so, how has this adaptation been justified (given that the HCR20 is a normed and standardized tool in its original format)? And, from where were these additional criteria/questions on radicalisation and extremism drawn? If your trust has adapted the HCR20 to include criteria on radicalisation/extremism, please could you also send me a template. Thank you.

2) Is your trust's Prevent policy a stand-alone or is it integrated into your safeguarding policies? (for ease of reply, I've worded this question exactly as it appears on the 'Prevent return' sent by your safeguarding team to the National Prevent Duty dataset. You can refer to the Prevent Return to find the answer).

**Response:**

1. No. The forensic service uses the standard HCR-20.
2. The Trust complies with the Prevent duty in accordance with the government guidance: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/prevent-duty-guidance>, subject to a Trust protocol. The Prevent Protocol is separate to the Safeguarding Policy in terms of a physical document. However, in practice it is approached as much as a safeguarding issue as one of risk and, from a governance perspective, is integrated into the safeguarding processes and managed/monitored through those structures.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to me and I will ensure the decision is reviewed. The Trust will consider undertaking a review if requested to do so within 40 working days of the date the response is received by the applicant, and will apply discretion if a longer period of time has passed.

Should you wish to make a complaint as a result of the outcome of such a review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision.

Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust for FoI Act matters.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Please contact me if there are any further queries.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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