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Information requested:

Please provide all and any recorded information pertaining to any "End of life care" plan(s) or treatment(s) or protocol(s) including details of voluntary, none-voluntary and involuntary Euthanasia plans, if held, by The State Hospital for Scotland for members of the British public - particularly those who are deemed disabled, elderly or nurses of The State Hospital for Scotland itself.

Response:

The State Hospital is a national service for Scotland and Northern Ireland, but does not provide a direct service to the public. Our patient cohort can include individuals that are not British.

In general, our policies and procedures relate to our staff, volunteers, patients, patient visitors/carers and professional visitors rather than the public.

We have assumed that this request seeks information about our end of life policy and procedures relating to our patients. We have also assumed that a policy that applies to at least one member of the British public would be in scope of the request.

Our policy and procedures relating to the death of a patient / palliative and end of life care is available from the policy section of our website – reference CP49.

As this information is otherwise accessible, it is exempt from disclosure under section 25(1) of FOISA.

If you would prefer us to interpret this request in a different manner, please let us know.