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Information requested:

Please provide the following information:

- 1. Annually, from 2015 to present, the number of recorded violent attacks on health board staff members
 - a. Of these, please provide a breakdown of type of role (Consultant, junior doctor, nurse, administrative staff etc.) and location of work (hospital, clinic, administrative offices etc.)
- 2. Annually, from 2015 to present, the number of recorded incidents of verbal abuse on health board staff members
 - a. Of these, please provide a breakdown of type of role (Consultant, junior doctor, nurse, administrative staff etc.) and location of work (hospital, clinic, administrative offices etc.)

Response:

1. The numbers recorded below relate to the number of incidents reported on our incident reporting system, Datix.

2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024*
46	96	210	198	87	104	60	73	94	163

^{*}Until 21st October

a. Please note that the number of health board staff members involved is higher than the number of incidents as more than 1 staff member can be involved in each incident.

Furthermore, Datix profiles for each staff member are linked to their current role, not their role at the time of the incident which may affect the accuracy of figures. I.e. A staff member may have been a Staff Nurse when an incident occurred, but they are now a Charge Nurse. When we run the report they will be reported as a Charge Nurse.

We do not record the location of the staff members work on Datix and therefore give notice under FOISA section 17 that we do not hold this information, however all staff work within the State Hospital.

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Charge Nurse	19	28	79	64	35	39	20	19	15	26
Lead Nurse	0	2	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not Recorded	6	10	33	46	26	19	17	21	61	160
Nursing	27	47	93	96	54	34	30	25	42	69
Assistant										
Nursing Team	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leader										
Occupational	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Therapist										
Patient	2	2	2	1	1	2	1	0	0	0
Activity and										
Recreational										
Services Staff										
Responsible	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Medical										
Officer										
Security	3	7	16	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manager										
Security Staff	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Senior Charge	4	12	24	15	9	6	3	5	2	3
Nurse										
Staff Nurse	34	91	191	192	82	95	56	73	77	116

2. The numbers recorded below relate to the number of incidents reported on our incident reporting system, Datix

2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024*
207	172	166	205	145	21	48	96	71	139

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Advocate	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Charge Nurse	55	58	46	47	20	5	15	15	7	19
Lead Nurse	0	0	0	4	2	1	0	0	0	0
Not Recorded	20	33	32	45	24	7	17	55	70	162
Nursing	67	55	56	78	62	9	14	21	19	40
Assistant										
Nursing	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Team Leader										
Occupational	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Therapist										
Patient	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	1
Activity and										
Recreational										
Services										
Staff										
Psychologist	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Responsible	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical										
Officer										
Security	5	9	11	9	2	1	1	1	0	1
Manager										
Security Staff	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	2
Senior	26	10	17	29	32	1	3	3	5	1
Charge Nurse										
Staff Nurse	181	127	141	181	128	19	42	98	53	90