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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 234/25

I refer to your request for information which was received by Cumbria Constabulary on 20 February 2025. I note you seek access to the following information:

- 1. How many reports have been made to the force of sexual assaults which are alleged to have taken place at NHS hospitals in the Cumbria Constabulary area since January 1st 2022?***
- 2. How many reports have been made to the force of rape which are alleged to have taken place at NHS hospitals in the Cumbria Constabulary area since January 1st 2022?***
- 3. How many of the above points 1 and 2 were reported to have taken place in a location described as a 'hospital ward'?***
- 4. How many people have been charged with sexual assault/rape regarding points 1 and 2 above?***

Your request for information has now been considered and I can confirm Cumbria Constabulary does hold some information relevant to your request and where this is the case, I have today decided to disclose this to you.

	Other Sexual Offences	Rape	Grand Total
Ward named Y/N			
N	59	8	67
Y	12	1	13
Grand Total	71	9	80

Home Office Outcome	Other Sexual Offences	Rape	Grand Total
(blank)	9	1	10
Charge/summons	9		9
Charge/Summonsed with Alternate Offence	1		1
Grand Total	19	1	20



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**(Blank) outcomes are pending/open Investigations that have the potential to result in a charge.*

The information provided in response to your request has been extracted from the Constabulary's crime recording system. A keyword search using the terms 'hospital', 'infirmary', 'general', 'ward', 'unit', 'clinic' and 'maternity' has been used and a manual review has then been carried out to identify the above data.

Please note: A keyword search may not accurately identify all information held by the Constabulary. If, for example, the keyword(s) were recorded in a different field to that which has been searched, or if another name or term was used to describe a hospital, any such records would not be identified by the keyword search which has been undertaken. For this reason, although provided in good faith, the information may not be wholly accurate.

Police forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide statistics to government bodies and the recording criteria is set nationally. However, the systems used for recording these figures are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the data. It should be noted that for these reasons this force's response to your questions should not be used for comparison purposes with any other response you may receive.

Whilst every care has been taken in the retrieval of the information provided, please do not hesitate to contact us for clarification, if you do have any issues or queries relating to this data.

Complaint Rights

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet, which details your right of complaint.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Cumbria Constabulary.

