

ND ref. **FOI/16/002**

Freedom of Information

Thank you for your 01/04/16 request for the following information:

1. In 2015, how many times were security guards called to deal with patients with dementia?

Answer: During the period 01.01.2015 – 31.12.2015 there were 31 incidents relating to security guards being called to deal with patients. We do not record whether the patient has dementia, only whether the patient is cognitively impaired.

2. If possible, please state the reason in each case.

Answer: The security guards are called due to these patients presenting with challenging behaviour due to medical factors.

3. If possible, please state what extra equipment was used such as handcuffs or restraints.

Answer: Security Officers are not contracted to use restraint which includes the use of mechanical restraints.