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Freedom of Information

Thank you for your 10/11/16 request for the following information, clarified on 18 November:

Could you please tell us how many members of staff have been signed off work through stress-related illness each year for the last five calendar years? (Off work for any period, with or without medical certification where the reason has been stress-related and where continuous sickness spans more than one yearly period, the absence should be recorded just in the period of commencement)

Answer:

2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
264**	355	392	275	246

** Please note:

There was a change to the internal sickness absence reason recording processes implemented in 2011, leading to more detailed and accurate recording. It is therefore likely that the figure reported for 2011 would have been slightly higher in reality.

Could you also include the total number of staff employed at the trust each year?

Answer:

2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
4,527	4,791	4,889	4,966	5,049