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Dear Councillor Williams

Southwark Health Scrutiny Committee – follow up information regarding safeguarding reporting.

At the last meeting of the Southwark Health, Adult Social Care, Communities and Citizenship Scrutiny Sub-Committee held 25 March 2013, Members requested additional information regarding the number of reported safeguarding alerts in Acute and Mental Health settings during 2011/2012.

You specifically referred to pages 40 and 41 of the Southwark Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board Annual Report 2011-12 which gives a breakdown of locations of abuse by age group.

To confirm King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust (KCH) had no safeguarding alerts raised against KCH staff in relation to any Southwark residents (whether in-patients, out patients, or day cases) during 2011-2012.

King's does raise safeguarding alerts for Southwark residents either when residents themselves disclose incidents of abuse that they have experienced outside hospital, or when KCH staff suspect that residents have experienced abuse outside hospital.

I hope this information gives clarity to your request. Should you require further information then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely

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