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Thank you for your request concerning seclusion.

Your request has been considered and processed in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

- The top 10 longest recorded periods of seclusion of a patient in secure mental health units, over the last 12 month. The data required is longest seclusion lengths in a hh:mm format rather than a report of the number of patients that were secluded between two defined time periods.**

Please see below the ten longest recorded periods of seclusion in our Low Secure Mental Health Services between 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023.

	Hours : Minutes
1	14:09
2	16:10
3	18:50
4	23:00
5	24:45
6	29:40
7	47:30
8	140:14
9	193:00
10	258:05

The Trust's Seclusion Policy adheres to the Mental Health Act 1983 Code of Practice 2015, and, whereby a service user is subject to seclusion, the multi-disciplinary team will work in partnership with the service user and their family/carers (where appropriate), in accordance with the principles of the least restrictive approach. This includes access to fresh air, meaningful activities, therapies and visits from family/Independent Mental Health Advocate/legal representatives etc.

Should you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please find enclosed an information sheet regarding copyright protection and the Trust's complaints procedure in the event that you are not satisfied with the response.

Yours sincerely

Sue Smith

Sue Smith
Information Rights Officer

Enc: Copyright Protection and Complaints Procedure Information Leaflet.

If you would like to complete a short survey in relation to your Freedom of Information request please scan the QR code below or click [here](#).

