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### ***Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000***

Thank you for your request for information which we received on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2024. I am pleased to confirm the following.

#### **What training is provided at Trust level to ensure safe and holistic care of the patients with spinal cord injury and which group of professionals is the training directed to?**

At Trust level there is no specific spinal injuries training provided in house. All spinal injuries training is commissioned externally and provided by subject matter experts either at Stoke Mandeville Hospital or by the Spinal Injuries Association.

#### **What training is available at Trust level for the Spinal Manual Handling competencies, for band 2, 3, 4, 5 and above? Who is responsible for the delivery of such training, does it fall under the Manual Handling or the Spinal Unit/Centre remit?**

The Trust is not a spinal unit / centreManual. General manual handling training is provided in house and includes basic techniques such as log rolling. Specialist Spinal Manual Handling competencies are acquired from Stoke Mandeville Hospital or the Spinal Injuries Association.

#### **How are competency achieve and mantain?**

All competency requirements are set by the training organisation with sign-off guidance provided. The Trust will comply with these requirements.

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Yours sincerely

Information Governance Administrator  
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