

15 February 2022

Our Ref: RFI 42646

Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000
In relation to NICE Guidelines**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for information relating to NICE Guidelines which you requested on 18 January 2022.

A response to each of the questions raised has been provided by the Nursing, Primary Care & Elderly Directorate and is attached in Appendix A.

If you are unhappy as to how this request has been handled, you have the right to seek a review within the Trust in the first instance. You should write to the Information Governance Department, Lough House, Ards Community Hospital (informationgovernance@setrust.hscni.net) within two months of the date of this response and your complaint will be considered and a response provided, within 20 working days of receipt.

If, after receiving a response, you remain unhappy, you can refer your complaint to the Information Commissioner at The Information Commissioner's Office –Northern Ireland, 3rd Floor, 14 Cromac Place, Belfast, BT7 2JB. It is important to note that if you refer any matter to the Information Commissioner, you will need to show evidence of having gone through the Trust's internal review procedure to try to resolve the matter with the Trust in the first instance.

If you have any queries about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

**Caroline Degans
Information Governance Officer**

Q1. *I would like to ask if NICE Guidelines have been followed regarding “Dementia: assessment, management and support for people living with dementia and their carers”*

A1. Yes, NICE Guidelines have been followed. Within the South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust the NICE clinical guidelines NG97 (Dementia: assessment, Management and support for people living with dementia and their carer’s) are inherent in everything we do.