

UN Convention for Human Rights

Request

In 2008, a notice was issued regarding the UN Convention of Human Rights for People with Disabilities (detention note 4), (enclosed). The Office for Disability Issues was tasked with consulting on the UK government response. It was announced via this notice from the UN that detention without trial and forced treatment were illegal under the UN Convention for Human Rights, and signatories to the Convention were asked to reassess and if necessary re-write Mental Health laws to take the UN declaration into account.

What I would like to know is the following:

- 1 Was the board of your NHS Trust, or any other responsible officer at your NHS Trust informed of or sent this notice?
- 2 Were any of the board members or any other responsible officer, involved in any consultation with the Office for Disability Issues, regarding this notice?
- 3 If there was a response I would like a copy of the response under the FOI Act 2000.

Our Response

- 1 There is no evidence to demonstrate that the Board of the Trust or any other responsible officer was informed of or sent this notice.
- 2 Therefore there is no evidence of involvement in the consultation with the Office for Disability Issues, regarding this notice
- 3 Please see answers to questions 1 and 2. There is therefore no documentation

