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REQUEST:

- 1) Does your Trust use seclusion and if so, how many incidents have been recorded for the last three financial years? and
- 2) As your Trust does not use mechanical restraint, are you reliant on a third party ie the Police to apply this technique on your behalf where circumstances dictate that course of action?

OUR RESPONSE:

1. Yes, 1435
2. We have not routinely contacted a third party to apply this technique on our behalf. If the police were called due to a situation where staff could not manage violence or aggression, the police may choose to use handcuffs but this would be under risk assessment as the most appropriate action.