



RTI Request # 150798

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Document Search Parameters:

“Documents which show the most recent 13 months of data containing any information about assaults occurring on offenders where the person displays obvious signs of injury and denies any assault, or where the person in question is unable to confirm an assault. Following discussion with Operational Policy and Performance, this is likely to be data contained in the ‘injury’ or ‘medical emergency’ incident codes. Date range: November 2013 to December 2014”.

Action Undertaken:

Incidents Reports with the incident type: ‘Injury’ and ‘Medical Emergency’ reported for the period 1 November 2013 to 11 December 2014 (as reported in the Integrated Offender Management System on 3/03/2015).

Overall there were 593 *Injury* incidents and 1593 *Medical Emergency* Incidents reported during this time frame.

Search terms: “assault”, “suspected”, “assaulted”, “fight” and “altercation” were used to isolate incidents relevant to the search parameters. A further manual check was conducted on these incidents identified through the search terms to confirm relevant to search parameters.

Results:

This resulted in 66 incidents being identified as either where the person displays obvious signs of injury and denies any assault, or where the person in question is unable to confirm an assault (specified search parameters).

Of the 66, 34 were reported under the ‘Injury’ incident type and 32 were reported under the ‘Medical Emergency’ incident type. Of those 26 of the ‘medical emergency’ incidents also had an ‘assault’ incident reported on the same day. As per Agency procedure, a ‘medical emergency’ incident was also raised as the prisoner required an unscheduled transfer for medical assessment external to the correctional centre. These 26 incidents are therefore considered a ‘double count’ when combined with assault incident data from the same period. Two ‘medical emergency’ incidents relate to alleged assaults which occurred prior to entering QCS custody (occurred in the community) however medical treatment was provided while in QCS custody.

Incident Type	Count of Incidents
Injury	34
<i>Assault</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>denies assault - suspect injury</i>	<i>33</i>
Medical Emergency	32
<i>Assaulted prior to QCS custody</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>denies assault - suspect injury</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>double count - assault incident report also present</i>	<i>26</i>
Total	66