





Checklist for NHS organisations of information to assist in police investigations when managing violent, abusive and racist patients

Full circumstances and details of the incident, including time / date & exact location.
Full details of victim to be obtained / including DOB / address and contact details so they can be contacted out of work if required and importantly, if they wish to attend court and support a police prosecution.
Full details of suspect to be obtained / including DOB / address and contact details.
Full details of any witnesses that saw the incident.
Any CCTV covering the offence happening to be downloaded by security ready for collection.
Any body worn video footage from Security staff downloaded and ready for collection.
Any photos of injuries taken so they can be emailed to police if they do not attend ASAP.
Any photos of damage caused to be taken.
Confirmation of approximate cost of any damage caused and member of the Trust to confirm they wish to prosecute.
If capacity is an issue, a letter of capacity provided by the senior clinician authorised to do so to confirm mental capacity to commit a criminal offence. THIS IS KEY TO THE INVESTIGATION FROM THE OUTSET IF CAPACITY COULD BE USED AS A DEFENCE IN COURT.