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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)
Request ID: FOI327985957

Thank you for your request for information relating to LADO statistics.

You have requested the following information:

1. How many professionals have been referred to the LADO team for investigations in the last 5 years?

Year	Referrals
2016/17	252
2017/18	386
2018/19	345
2019/20	400
2020/21	314

2. How many progressed to POT meetings?

Year	POT Meetings
2016/17	89
2017/18	48
2018/19	42
2019/20	43
2020/21	52

3. The statistics of outcome of investigations (each outcome category)?

Outcome	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Ongoing	13	0	0	4	9
Substantiated	30	21	23	21	17
Unsubstantiated	17	18	18	7	13
Malicious	1	0	1	5	1
Unfounded	15	5	0	6	10
Convicted	0	0	0	0	0
Other	13	4	0	0	2

4. How many appeals against outcomes?

None.

5. How many complaints LADO have received following an investigation?

Two.

6. Do LADO seek feedback from professional following an investigation, details of?

If there is an investigation completed during the LADO process, it is almost always the case that the subject of the allegation will be interviewed, and their responses noted, to be fed into the LADO process. This is not always possible, for example, where a subject does not have an employer or a regulatory body.

There are exceptions, for example, where the subject is being prosecuted for a relevant offence and in those cases, the responses to the police investigation may be used to inform the LADO process.

At the end of the LADO process, the employer is asked to update the subject of the allegation regarding the outcome of any LADO process.

7. Full disclosure of LADO, POT etc policies, processes and procedures?

Following careful consideration, the information you requested falls under the exemption(s) in Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which relates to 'information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means.'

The exemption applies as the information is published and publicly available to view by accessing

the Regional Child Protection Procedures for West Midlands website, please use the following link:

<https://westmidlands.procedures.org.uk/page/contents>

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Yours faithfully

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