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Requested:

I am looking for the following information which I believe is held by the Health Board.

1. The total number of incidents of physical assault or abuse towards staff members which were reported to the health board between 1 March 2020 and 30 May 2021.
2. The number of incidents of physical assault or abuse towards staff members which were reported to the health board for the following years:
 - 2019
 - 2018
 - 2017

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that there were 1,189 reported incidents of physical assault or abuse towards staff members, during the period 1 March 2020 to 30 May 2021.
2. The UHB provides, within the table below, the number of reported incidents of physical assault or abuse towards staff members, for the calendar years 2017, 2018 and 2019.

| Calendar year | Number |
|----------------------|---------------|
| 2017 | 890 |
| 2018 | 1,087 |
| 2019 | 2,962 |