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Dear

Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act

Thank you for your email of 6 July, making a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested the following information and the Trust is able to provide the information below in response:

Request:

- Has your mental health trust signed an agreement with the Clinical Commissioning Group that meets the mental health investment standard for each of the years 2017/18, 2018/19 and 2019/20.
- How many non-fatal suicide attempts were there in the trust in (a) 2014/15, (b) 2015/16 and (c) 2016/17.
- What was the (i) mean, (ii) highest and (iii) lowest wait for patients within the trust requiring an acute inpatient mental health bed in (a) 2014/15, (b) 2015/16 and (c) 2016/17.
- What was the (i) mean, (ii) highest and (iii) lowest wait for patients within the trust requiring a Tier 4 CAMHS bed in (a) 2014/15, (b) 2015/16 and (c) 2016/17.

Response:

1. The Trust hold no information in relation to this element of your request.
2. The Trust operates an incident reporting system and does record incidents under the category self-harm. Suicidal intent can be difficult to elicit and assess and is not recorded separately as a data item in this system, but would be recoded as a clinical assessment in the electronic health record of the patient. The Trust reviews incidents and investigates a number of Serious Incidents, however, with respect to incidents of self-harm with moderate or major injury and a risk rating of moderate and above the Trust is unable to definitively identify and

report on incidents where there was intent and that the person wanted to take their own life by suicide.

The Trust could produce information on the number of incidents of self-harm with moderate or major injury and a risk rating of moderate or above but is unable to determine and identify which self-harm incidents occurred with the intent of suicide.

The Trust publishes information about incidents, self-harm and mortality in the Trust Annual Report, which can be located via the following URL:

<http://www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/publication/annual-reports/>

The Trust also publishes information as part of monthly Board Reports, which can be accessed from this link:

<http://www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/about-us/governance/board-papers/>

And an Incident, Mortality and Patient Safety Report is regularly submitted to the Board, the most recent of which is available at:

<http://www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/papers/june-2017/>

3. The Trust does not record data on date/time the decision to admit is made versus actual admission date so the Trust are unable to provide this information. This is also a larger cohort than 4 below, and potentially more than 3000 records would require review. The cost and duration of such activity would significantly exceed the appropriate limit. However, many acute admissions are categorised as emergency (unplanned and immediate, within 24 hour, need).

4. The Trust are unable to comply with this element of your without exceeding the appropriate limit set in regulation by section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act. The Trust do not collect waiting time information for Tier 4 Inpatients, and do not operate an elective admission list. Each inpatient record would have to be manually checked, the information relating to need for admission of 390 patients identified and collated, new information created to derive the mean and outliers which together would exceed the appropriate limit. The Trust estimate that it would take 10 minutes per record to derive the information, which would require 65 hours to comply with your request. The appropriate limit set by the Act is 18. As the requisite information relating to offer of admission is recorded in an unstructured form even if the Trust confined the request to 1 year it is more than likely that this part of the request would still exceed the appropriate limit.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to me and I will ensure the decision is reviewed. The Trust will consider undertaking a review if requested to do so within 40 working days of the date the response is received by the applicant, and will apply discretion if a longer period of time has passed.

Should you wish to make a complaint as a result of the outcome of such a review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision.

Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust for FoI Act matters.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Please contact me if there are any further queries.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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