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Dear

**Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act**

Thank you for your email of 5<sup>th</sup> September 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:**

INQUEST provides advice to bereaved families following a death in state care or custody. We are seeking data on the deaths of children and young people in receipt of in-patient mental health services (both voluntary in-patients and detained).

For each year (2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013), please provide statistical information relating to children and young people (aged 24 and under) who have died receiving in-patient psychiatric care at the time of their death in any hospital, unit or private setting under the management or control of Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust. Please provide data on;

1. For each year (2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013), the number of children who have died whilst receiving in-patient psychiatric care at the time of their death.
2. For each year (2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013) the deaths of children broken down by age, gender and ethnicity.
3. For each year (2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013) a breakdown of the cause of death where known.
4. For each year, please provide the patient status, i.e. whether the child or young person was detained or non detained at the time of their death
5. The location of deaths i.e. the hospital, NHS Trust, unit name or private provider by year.

Response:

2013 – 0

2014 – 1: Male, 22 years old, ethnicity 'not given'. Not detained. Cause of death pulmonary embolism (contributed to by Neuroleptic Malignant Syndrome). Following transfer patient subsequently died a few days later in an acute hospital.

2015 - 0

2016 – 1: Male, 19 years old, ethnicity 'White – other background'. Detained. Narrative verdict, cause of death asphyxiation.

2017- 1: Female, 19 year old, ethnicity 'White British'. Detained. Narrative verdict, cause of death hanging.

(relating to Oxford Health NHS FT)

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,

Mark Underwood

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