

Information Governance

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Dear

Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act

Thank you for your email of 7th January 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:

Please could you provide me with the number of unexpected patient deaths (including but not limited to death by suicide, neglect or misadventure) in your mental health trust for 2017 and 2018 respectively.

If possible, please could you also indicate how many children/adults this includes per year.

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request.

If you can identify any ways that my request could be refined please provide further advice and assistance to indicate this.

Response:

Number of unexpected deaths for community and inpatients open to one of our mental health services. This includes IAPT, forensic and eating disorder services.

Year	Aged under 18	Aged over 18	Total
2017	4	94	98
2018	4	87	91

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

Head of Information Governance