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I am responding to your request for information received 28 September 2020. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

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Information Governance Manager

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Request:

Good morning, I hope you're well. I am writing to make an open government request for all the information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. In order to assist you with this request, I am outlining my enquiry as specifically as possible. However, if this request is too wide or unclear, please feel free to contact me for clarification. I am looking for information about the length of time children and young people experiencing their first episode of psychosis wait to start assessment once they have been referred to a specialist mental health service at the Trust. As such, I would really appreciate answers to the following questions:

Question 1. What is the Trust's target waiting time for a child or young person experiencing their first episode of psychosis to start assessment after being referred to a specialist mental health service at the Trust?

Answer: The Trust is using the national guideline, Children and Young People [CYP] experiencing first episode psychosis or 'at risk mental state' that wait two weeks or less to start NICE recommended package of care.

Question 2. How many children and young people experiencing their first episode of psychosis were referred to the Trust for assessment in 2019/20?

Answer: In 2019/2020, 51 children and young people experiencing their first episode of psychosis were referred to the Trust.

Question 3. On average, how long did children and young people experiencing their first episode of psychosis wait for their assessment to start after being referred in 2019/20?

Answer: On average, the wait for first assessment was 14 days.

Question 4. How many children and young people experiencing their first episode of psychosis who have been referred to the Trust are currently waiting to start their assessment?

Answer: One child/young person experiencing their first episode of psychosis is currently waiting to start their assessment.