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I am responding to your request for information received 13 June 2021 which you clarified on 13 July 2021 and 3 August 2021. I am sorry for the delay in responding to your request. 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,



Keshia Harvey
Information Governance Manager

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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Request:

Dear East London NHS Foundation Trust,

This is a freedom of information request.

Please answer questions 1 - 5 for the two following time periods:

1st April 2019 to 31 March 2020

1st April 2020 to 31 March 2021

With regards to the children and young people (CYP) referred to and/or treated by your CAMH services, please tell me:

Question 1. How many times CYP referred to and/or treated by your services were admitted to general medical wards for eating disorders for refeeding and medical stabilisation with relation to their eating disorder, including treatment electrolyte abnormalities?

Question 2. How many times were CYP referred to and/or treated by your services admitted to general medical wards following incidents of self harm and / or attempted suicides?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. As East London NHS Foundation Trust is a mental health and community health trust and does not have general wards, in order to collate this information, staff would have to review each clinical record to establish if a patient had been admitted to a general medical ward and establish the reason for the admission.

Therefore, the Trust is unable to comply with this particular part of your request as the cost of compliance and extracting your exact requirements would exceed the appropriate cost limit of £450 which is specified in Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This is based on a rate of £25 per hour, regardless of the rate of pay of any individual involved in the retrieval of requested information, and equates to 18 hours work.

Question 3. Of CYP treated on medical wards during this time period for reasons outlined in questions 1 and 2, how many were held under the Mental Health Act?

Question 4. Of CYP treated on medical wards during this time period for reasons outlined in questions 1 and 2, how many were forcibly restrained?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed questions 3 and 4 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the FOI Act states:

Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—

*(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and
(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to him.*

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- Question 5. During this time period, how many CYP referred to or treated by your services died as a result of:**
- 5.a) their eating disorder (i.e., organ failure resulting from eating disorder behaviours and/or malnutrition)?**
 - 5.b) suicide**
 - 5.c) accidental suicidal and / or drug overdose**

Clarification It relates too all:

- deaths that occurred during this timescale where coroner conclusions were made during the time period;**
- and all deaths occurred during this timescale where coroner conclusions may have been made outside of this time period;**
- and inquests during this time period.**

Just specify which is which when you break down the figures.

Answer: Please see table below:

1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021		
Incident date	Inquest date	Conclusion
10/12/2020	10/05/2021	Suicide
20/10/2020	28/06/2021	Suicide