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I am responding to your request for information received 9 July 2021. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Having reviewed your request, the Trust has noted that it would not be able to provide the information requested within the eighteen hours specified in 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:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliff House  
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**Request:**

Dear East London NHS Foundation Trust,

This is a Freedom of Information Request for NHS Trusts which run CAMH Services. If your Trust does not operate the CAMHS in your area, please can you let me know which local Trust I should be sending this FOI to.

If you only run one of Core CAMH or CAMH ED services, please just answer the questions that relate to the services you run. Similarly, If you do not hold data for Qs 4 - 6, then please just supply answers to Qs 1 - 3.

Please supply all answers in an excel spreadsheet.

**Questions:**

**Question 1.** Please can you tell me the number of children and young people who had been referred to your Core CAMH Services for treatment on or by 31 January 2019 who were still waiting to start treatment with you Core CAMH Services on 31 January 2019?

**Question 2.** Please can you tell me the number of children and young people who had been referred to your CAMH Eating Disorder Services for treatment on or by 31 January 2019 who were still waiting to start treatment with your CAMH Eating Disorder Services on 31 January 2019?

**Question 3.** Please answer Question 1 and Question 2 again, but replacing all references to the date "31 January 2019" with the following dates:

28 February 2019  
31 March 2019  
30 April 2019  
31 May 2019  
30 June 2019  
31 July 2019  
31 August 2019  
30 September 2019  
31 October 2019  
30 November 2019  
31 December 2019  
31 January 2020  
29 February 2020  
31 March 2020  
30 April 2020  
31 May 2020  
30 June 2020  
31 July 2020  
31 August 2020  
30 September 2020  
31 October 2020  
30 November 2020  
31 December 2020  
31 January 2021  
28 February 2021  
31 March 2021  
30 April 2021

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31 May 2021  
30 June 2021

**Question 4.** If you hold this data, please can you tell me the number of children and young people who were referred from an Accident & Emergency department to your CAMH Services (including CAMH Eating Disorder Services, if relevant) for treatment by CAMH Services in the month of January 2019?

Please answer Question 4 again, but replacing all references to the month “January 2019” the following 29 months, meaning you will again be providing data for a further 29 months:

February 2019  
March 2019  
April 2019  
May 2019  
June 2019  
July 2019  
August 2019  
September 2019  
October 2019  
November 2019  
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February 2020  
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July 2020  
August 2020  
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October 2020  
November 2020  
December 2020  
January 2021  
February 2021  
March 2021  
April 2021  
May 2021  
June 2021

**Please supply all data in an excel spreadsheet.**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed 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.*

For questions 1-4, East London NHS Foundation Trust CAMHS does not have treatment waiting lists. Information held regarding waiting lists would relate to referral for assessment. Once an assessment is

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completed, an appointment for appropriate treatment is offered. The information is not held in the format requested and therefore not disclosable.

**Question 5. Please can you tell me the number of children and young people known to your Core CAMH (and CAMH Eating Disorder services, if relevant) who were admitted to an Acute Hospital Trust under the Mental Health Act in the month of January 2019?**

**Please answer Question 5 again, but replacing all references to the month “January 2019” the following 29 months, meaning you will again be providing data for a further 29 months:**

**February 2019  
March 2019  
April 2019  
May 2019  
June 2019  
July 2019  
August 2019  
September 2019  
October 2019  
November 2019  
December 2019  
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January 2021  
February 2021  
March 2021  
April 2021  
May 2021  
June 2021**

**Please supply all data in an excel spreadsheet.**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 5 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This information is not recorded on a searchable field on the clinical system and in order to collate this information, staff would have to review each patient record to establish if they were admitted to an Acute Hospital Trust and if they were detained under the Mental Health Act.

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.

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