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I am responding to your request for information received 13 July 2021. 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

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 Sir or Madam, I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I would like to receive information relating to the number of inpatients in mental health wards at «Trust».

Question 1. The total number of inpatients in your mental health wards at the end of each month.

Please state how many inpatients are informal and how many are detained under the Mental Health Act. Please could you provide the data as a total for all mental health wards you are operating as well as individually for

- (1) Child and Adolescent Mental Health Wards and
- (2) Adult Mental Health Wards.

Please could you provide the data for each month of the following years:

- 01 January 2018 to 31 December 2018;
- 01 January 2019 to 31 December 2019;
- 01 January 2020 to 31 December 2020;
- 01 January 2021 to latest available data.

Answer: Please see excel table attached.

Question 2. Please state all eating disorder wards you are operating. For the following questions, if you have eating disorder wards for (1) Children and Young People and for (2) Adults, please could you give the data for them separately.

Question 3. The total number of inpatients in all your Eating Disorder Wards at the end of each month. Please state how many inpatients are informal and how many are detained under the Mental Health Act. Please could you provide the data for each month of the following years:

- 01 January 2018 to 31 December 2018;
- 01 January 2019 to 31 December 2019;
- 01 January 2020 to 31 December 2020;
- 01 January 2021 to latest available data.

Question 4. Please state the admission criteria for eating disorder wards.

Question 5. Please state the average admission BMI of all patients that have been admitted to an eating disorder ward each month.

Please could you provide the data for each month of the following years:

- 01 January 2018 to 31 December 2018;
- 01 January 2019 to 31 December 2019;
- 01 January 2020 to 31 December 2020;
- 01 January 2021 to latest available data.

Question 6. Please state the percentage of admissions that were below a BMI of 13 each month.

Please could you provide the data for each month of the following years:

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01 January 2019 to 31 December 2019;
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Question 7. The number of referrals for eating disorder inpatient care each month. Please state how many of these referrals are classed as urgent or emergency.

Please could you provide the data for each month of the following years:

01 January 2018 to 31 December 2018;
01 January 2019 to 31 December 2019;
01 January 2020 to 31 December 2020;
01 January 2021 to latest available data.

Question 8. Please state the average waiting time in days for an inpatient admission to eating disorder wards each month. Please also state the average waiting times for referrals that are classed as urgent or emergency.

Please could you provide the data for each month of the following years:

01 January 2018 to 31 December 2018;
01 January 2019 to 31 December 2019;
01 January 2020 to 31 December 2020;
01 January 2021 to latest available data.

Question 9. The number of patients that have been taken off the waiting list before they could get admitted. If possible, please state the reason why they got taken off the waiting list.

Please could you provide this as yearly totals for 2018, 2019, 2020 and for the first 6 months of 2021.

Please could you also provide this data in the format of an Excel spreadsheet (.xls).

Answer: The Trust has reviewed questions 2-9 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.*

East London NHS Foundation Trust is a mental health and community health trust and does not manage eating disorder wards. The Trust does not hold the information requested and it is therefore not disclosable.