

Information Governance

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Thank you for your request for information received 3rd July 2019. I am sorry for the delay in responding to you. 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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Request:

Can you please provide the following information:

Question 1. The current support offered to employees of your trust in relation to workforce mental health, this includes:

- Current service provision in place to support staff mental health
- Current initiatives promoted by the trust in relation to staff mental health
- Current processes and procedures for a staff member experiencing mental health concerns that require support from a mental health professional
- Amount of money the trust spent on staff mental health for the financial year 2018-2019

Answer:

The Trust does not collect information on the amount of money spent on staff mental health. The current support offered to employees includes the following:

- Occupational Health referral/assessment
- Stress questionnaire
- Stress management return to work questionnaire
- Phased return to work following absence from work following OH recommendation
- Flexible working arrangements
- EAP (Employee Assistance Programme) Provides free 24 hour confidential telephone counselling and up to 6 1:1 sessions on any issues to staff employed by East London NHS Foundation Trust (please see attached CiC information)
- Health and Wellbeing courses (Yoga and Pilates)

Question 2. The total amount of day's lost for the financial year 2018-2019 using the SP10 (mental health) sickness code.

Answer: 15434 days.

Question 3. Total financial cost to the trust specifically related to SP10 (Mental Health) sickness for the financial year 2018 – 2019

Answer: £1,219,401.11 – please note, this includes bank/agency cover to

replace employees that were absent.

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