

Information Governance

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I am responding to your request for information received 7th August 2019.

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:

- 1) Please state the name of your Trust?
- 2) How many patients currently under your care are being kept alive with clinically assisted nutrition and hydration (CANH) who are in a persistent vegetative state or minimally conscious state?
- 3 a) How many patients from Q2 have been kept alive for 1 year or more?
 - b) How many patients from Q2 have been kept alive for 3 years or more?
 - c) How many patients from Q2 have been kept alive for 5 years or more?
- 4 a) How much money has your trust spend on the patients from Q2 in the years;

2015 - 2016

2016 - 2017

2017 - 2018

- b) How much money does your Trust spend per patient (from Q2) on average?
- 5) How many next of kin of patients from Q2 have asked for the CANH to be stopped and their loved ones be moved into palliative care?
- 6 a) In how many patients cases, have you been in a legal battle, whether mediation or court, because next of kin wanted to stop CANH in the last 5 years?
 - b) What has been the financial cost of these legal battles/mediations?

Answer:

The East London NHS Foundation Trust provides Mental Health and Community Services. We are not an Acute Trust and believe your request for information does not apply to us.

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