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Our reference: FOI DA4212

Dear,

I am responding to your request for information received **17th May 2022**.. 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,



Shuchi Joshi
Senior Information Governance Coordinator – Information Rights

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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Wycliffe House
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Request:

Question 1: On how many occasions in the following years has a patient - known to your mental health services - died in the community aged 19 or under, having been discharged from a CAMHS inpatient service within the previous 12 months? Please include a combined total for each year that includes patients discharged from services run by either the NHS or the independent sector, as well as those who were placed out of area.

- i) 2019
- ii) 2020
- iii) 2021
- iv) 2022 (up to 31 March)

Question 2: On how many of those occasions in question 1 was the patient's cause of death related to their reason for admission to the unit? Please break down the figures by the following years:

- i) 2019
- ii) 2020
- iii) 2021
- iv) 2022 (up to 31 March)

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

Section 40 for the FOI Act states:

(2) Any information to which a request for information relates is exempt information if—

(a) it constitutes personal data which does not fall within subsection (1).

The information you have requested contains information on a small number of patients, per year, which could potentially be personally identifiable and therefore cannot be disclosed or actioned under the FOI Act as it would contravene the data protection principles.

CAMHS may not be informed of death once patient is discharged, we can confirm however, that there were less than five patients in total.