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I am responding to your request for information received **25<sup>th</sup> August 2022**. I am sorry for the delay in responding to your request. 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  
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**Chief Executive:** Paul Calaminus  
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**Request:** I am writing to request the following information from your NHS trust, for the calendar years 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 so far:

**Question 1:** The number of CAMHS referrals from GPs received by your trust specifying whether they were tier 3 or tier 4

**Answer:** Please see table below with the number of CAMHS referrals from GPs received by the Trust. Please note that these figures are for Tiers 1 – 3 as they are recorded as one and cannot be broken down by Tier. GPs do not make referrals for Tier 4.

Year	Number Of GP Referrals Received
2018	3912
2019	4396
2020	4102
2021	4709
2022 (up to 13/09/22)	3449
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,568</b>

**Question 2:** The number of CAMHS referrals from GPs accepted by your trust specifying whether they were tier 3 or tier 4

**Answer:** Please see table below with the number of CAMHS referrals from GPs accepted by the Trust. Please note that these figures are for Tiers 1 – 3 as they are recorded as one and cannot be broken down by Tier. GPs do not make referrals for Tier 4.

Year	Referral Accepted Status	Number Of GP Referrals
2018	Accepted	3135
2019	Accepted	3754
2020	Accepted	3597
2021	Accepted	3976
2022 (up to 13/09/22)	Accepted	3073

**Question 3:** The number of CAMHS referrals from GPs rejected by your trust specifying whether they were tier 3 or tier 4, and reasons for rejection

**Answer:** Please see table below with the number of CAMHS referrals from GPs rejected by the Trust. Please note that these figures are for Tiers 1 – 3 as they are recorded as one and cannot be broken down by Tier. GPs do not make referrals for Tier 4.

Year	Reason For Rejection	Number Of GP Referrals
2018	Inappropriate Referral - Signpost to Health Care Provider	55
2018	Inappropriate Referral - Signpost to Tier 2/Community CAMHS	470
2018	Returned to Referrer (Incomplete Information)	23
2018	Returned to Referrer (Inappropriate Referral)	229
2019	No service capacity	3
2019	Inappropriate Referral - Signpost to Tier 2/Community CAMHS	517



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2019	Inappropriate Referral - Signpost to Health Care Provider	14
2019	Returned to Referrer (Inappropriate Referral)	104
2019	Returned to Referrer (Incomplete Information)	4
2020	Inappropriate Referral - Signpost to Tier 2/Community CAMHS	342
2020	Inappropriate Referral - Signpost to Health Care Provider	25
2020	No service capacity	79
2020	Returned to Referrer (Inappropriate Referral)	33
2020	Returned to Referrer (Incomplete Information)	26
2021	Inappropriate Referral - Signpost to Health Care Provider	38
2021	Returned to Referrer (Inappropriate Referral)	121
2021	Returned to Referrer (Incomplete Information)	52
2021	Inappropriate Referral - Signpost to Tier 2/Community CAMHS	522
2022 (up to 13/09/22)	Returned to Referrer (Incomplete Information)	16
2022 (up to 13/09/22)	Returned to Referrer (Inappropriate Referral)	55
2022 (up to 13/09/22)	Inappropriate Referral - Signpost to Health Care Provider	8
2022 (up to 13/09/22)	Inappropriate Referral - Signpost to Tier 2/Community CAMHS	297

Answer: East London NHS Foundation Trust does not receive Tier 4 referrals. Referrals for inpatient services are made via a CAMHS Consultant or via an emergency route. We are therefore unable to provide a response in relation to Tier 4.



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