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I am responding to your request for information received 20 February 2023. 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,



Nimita Parmar
Information Rights Coordinator

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:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113
Web: www.ico.org.uk

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Request: This request relates to inpatient admissions to your Trust with a primary or secondary diagnosis of an eating disorder (please include all eating disorders - i.e. ICD10 code F50 - Eating Disorders).

Question 1: Please state the number of inpatients with an eating disorder diagnosis that were discharged from your trust in:

- a. 2018
- b. 2019
- c. 2020
- d. 2021
- e. 2022
- f. Total (1 Jan 2018 to 31 Dec 2022)

Answer: Please see table below:

Year of Discharge	NO. of patients
2018	10
2019	13
2020	14
2021	18
2022	14
TOTAL (1 Jan 2018 - 31 Dec 2022)	69

Question 2: Please break down the early totals above by patient BMI at time of discharge in the following categories:

- i. BMI > 18.5
- ii. BMI 17-18.5
- iii. BMI 16-16.99
- iv. BMI 15-15.99
- v. BMI <15kg

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 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 them.*

In order for the Trust to provide this information, it would have to access patient records. We do not have a legal basis to access patient records in order to respond to a Freedom of Information Request. Therefore, we are unable to provide a response.

Question 3: If numbers above are so small that a significant proportion of the data is suppressed, please complete the alternative table outlining broader BMI categories also attached.

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