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I am responding to your request for information received 8 June 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,

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 is a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, relating to detention under the Mental Health Act in a hospital in the Trust.

I would like to receive this information in an Excel or Google Sheets format.

Question 1: Between 1 January 2018 and 31 December 2022, how many people were detained under the Mental Health Act? Alongside the total, please provide a breakdown by calendar year.

Answer: Please see Appendix 1 attached.

Question 2: How many people detained under the Mental Health Act between 1 January 2018 and 31 December 2022 were asylum seekers? Alongside the total, please provide a breakdown by calendar year.

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.*

East London NHS Foundation Trust does not record information on asylum seekers and is therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 3: Between 1 January 2022 and 31 May 2023, how many people were detained under the Mental Health Act? Alongside the total, please provide a breakdown by month.

Answer: Please see Appendix 1 attached.

Question 4: How many people detained under the Mental Health Act between January 2022 to May 2023 were asylum seekers? Alongside the total, please provide a breakdown by month.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 4 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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