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I am responding to your request for an internal review under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 which was received on 8 January 2024. This was regarding our response of 6 December 2023

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,



Keshia Harvey
Senior Information Governance Manager - Compliance

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
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
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Web: www.ico.org.uk

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Request: Please review your previous responses and either comply with the original requests or explain how it is that you do not hold the basic patient information requested.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed the information previous provided and note that that the information is not held centrally. The information has now been located and is produced below.

Question 1: The total number of non-prison patients on the waiting list for a medium secure bed at the John Howard Centre as of 1 May 2023.

Answer: Four non-prison patients were on the waiting list for a medium secure bed at the John Howard Centre as of 1 May 2023.

Question 2: The total number of non-prison patients on the waiting list for a medium secure bed at the John Howard Centre as of 1 November 2023.

Answer: Two non-prison patients were on the waiting list for a medium secure bed at the John Howard Centre as of 1 November 2023.

Question 3: The total number of non-prison patients admitted to medium secure beds at the John Howard Centre since 1 May 2023.

Answer: Two non-prison patients were admitted to a medium secure bed at the John Howard Centre since 1 May 2023.

Question 4: The total number of prison-based patients on the waiting list for a medium secure bed at the John Howard Centre as of 1 May 2023

Answer: Five prison-based patients were on the waiting list for a medium secure bed at the John Howard Centre as of 1 May 2023.

Question 5: The total number of prison-based patients on the waiting list for a medium secure bed at the John Howard Centre as of 1 November 2023.

Answer: Eight prison-based patients were on the waiting list for a medium secure bed at the John Howard Centre as of 1 November 2023.

Question 6: The total number of prison patients admitted to medium secure beds at the John Howard Centre since 1 May 2023.

Answer: 11 prison patients have been admitted to a medium secure bed at the John Howard Centre since 1 May 2023.

Question 7: The average waiting time in respect of hospital-based patients from of first referral to transfer to a medium secure bed the John Howard Centre during between 1 May and 1 November 2023

Answer: The average waiting time in respect of hospital-based patients from first referral to transfer to a medium secure bed at the John Howard Centre between 1 May and 1 November 2023 was 35 weeks.

Question 8: The average waiting time in respect of prison-based patients from of first referral to transfer to the John Howard Centre during between 1 May and 1 November 2023

Answer: The average waiting time in respect of prison-based patients from first referral to transfer to the John Howard Centre during between 1 May and 1 November 2023 was 15 weeks.



Question 9: The total number of medium secure beds at the John Howard centre becoming available between 1 May and 1 November 2023

Answer: 16 medium secure beds became available at the John Howard Centre between 1 May and 1 November 2023.



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Original Request:

Question 1: The total number of non-prison patients on the waiting list for a medium secure bed at the John Howard Centre as of 1 May 2023

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1 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 waiting list information as requested and is therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 2: The total number of non-prison patients on the waiting list for a medium secure bed at the John Howard Centre as of 1 November 2023

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

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Question 3: The total number of non-prison patients admitted to medium secure beds at the John Howard Centre since 1 May 2023

Answer: The Trust is unable to provide definitive figures as admission source is not a mandatory field on the clinical system.

Question 4: The total number of prison-based patients on the waiting list for a medium secure bed at the John Howard Centre as of 1 May 2023

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

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Question 5: The total number of prison-based patients on the waiting list for a medium secure bed at the John Howard Centre as of 1 November 2023



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Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 5 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 6: The total number of prison patients admitted to medium secure beds at the John Howard Centre since 1 May 2023

Answer: The Trust is unable to provide definitive figures as admission source is not a mandatory field on the clinical system.

Question 7: The average waiting time in respect of hospital-based patients from of first referral to transfer to a medium secure bed the John Howard Centre during between 1 May and 1 November 2023

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 7 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 8: The average waiting time in respect of prison-based patients from of first referral to transfer to the John Howard Centre during between 1 May and 1 November 2023

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 8 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 9: The total number of medium secure beds at the John Howard centre becoming available between 1 May and 1 November 2023

Answer: Please see table below:



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Month and year	Number of medium secure beds
May 2023	5
June 2023	5
July 2023	9
August 2023	6
September 2023	4
October 2023	3
November 2023	2



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