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I am responding to your request for information received 30 January 2025. 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,

FOI Team

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

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Chief Executive Officer: Lorraine Sunduza

Chair: Eileen Taylor

Request:

Question 1: How many adults were referred to your mental health service in the following years:

2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024.

Answer: Please see table below:

Year	Number of adult referrals to the Trust's Mental Health service
2014	2973
2015	6386
2016	14334
2017	38041
2018	39817
2019	44108
2020	41321
2021	48395
2022	52672
2023	55158
2024	54777

Question 2: How many adults were treated at your mental health service in the following years:

2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024.

Answer: Please see table below:

Year	Number of adults treated in the Trust's Mental Health service
2014	638
2015	777
2016	1304
2017	30950
2018	31917
2019	33392
2020	32760
2021	34458
2022	34666
2023	37208
2024	40359

Question 3: How many adults treated at your service ended their own lives in the following years:

2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024.

Answer:

The Trust has reviewed question 3 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 the number of individuals treated at the Trust that ended their own lives. The term 'ended their life' is complex, as it depends on the Coroners verdict for each case and it is not always clear if, in each case, someone meant to end their life when reported by the Trust. As a result, it is not possible to give an accurate result and therefore the Trust is therefore unable to provide a response.

Please note, you may wish to amend your request to information concerning short form conclusions of suicide in each year for those treated by the Trust. A short form conclusion is one where the Coroner has given a verdict of one or two words as opposed to a narrative conclusion which is a few sentences.

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