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I am responding to your request for information received 8 October 2025. 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

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Chief Executive Officer: Lorraine Sunduza

Chair: Eileen Taylor

Request: I am currently undertaking a research project on inpatient admissions

for autistic individuals. To support my work, I would be very grateful if you could provide the following information from the 31st August 2024

to 31st August 2025:

Question 1: The total number of autistic children admitted as inpatients across the

region you cover.

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 have a dedicated autism service for children as described in this request. The Trust is therefore unable to

provide a response.

Question 2: The total number of autistic adults admitted as inpatients across the

region you cover.

Answer: 149 patients.

Question 3: Could you also please identify the specific region you cover.

Answer: Our core area includes the East London areas of City of London, Hackney,

Newham and Tower Hamlets as well as areas of Bedfordshire and Luton.

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