

**Royal Stoke University Hospital** 

**Quality, Safety and Compliance Department** 

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Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

## Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 11<sup>th</sup> April 2019 (received into our office 12<sup>th</sup> April) requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Primary School CAMHS Referrals.

As of 1<sup>st</sup> November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

- The following request concerns primary school referrals to your NHS child and adolescent mental health services (CAMHS). Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please can you provide me with responses to the following?
  - 1-The total number of referrals made to mental health services by primary schools (for pupils aged 11 and under) for each of the last four financial years (including 2018/19)?
- A1 Mental health services are managed by North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust. If you wish to redirect your request to the Trust you can do so by post or email as below: communications@northstaffs.nhs.uk

North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust Trust Headquarters Lawton House Bellringer Road Trentham ST4 8HH

- Q2 The total number of referrals made to mental health services by primary schools (for pupils aged 11 and under) which were declined for each of the last four financial years (including 2018/19)?
- A2 As answer 1
- Q3 The known most number of times an individual child referred by a primary school has been declined mental health services over the last four financial years including 2018/19 (i.e. this is according to records which are kept, please don't independently investigate if records are not able to be filtered to check this)?







- A3 As answer 1
- Q4 The longest known time spent by an individual child referred by a primary school on a waiting list for mental health services over the last 4 financial years including 2018/19 (i.e. this is according to records which are kept, please don't independently investigate if records are not able to be filtered to check this)?
- A4 As answer 1
- Q5 The average waiting time spent by a child referred by a primary school to be seen by mental health services in 2018/19?

Please send me the data requested in the form of an Excel spreadsheet or as a csv file, using the template provided.

A5 As answer 1

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:







Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via <a href="https://www.ico.org.uk">www.ico.org.uk</a>.

If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours,

Jean Lehnert

**Information Governance Manager** 



