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Our Ref: FOI 2533

Thank you for your request concerning referrals to our community eating disorders for children and young people.

Your request has been considered and processed in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

**1. Please provide the number of referrals to your community eating disorders service for children and young people for the following financial years:**

Financial Year	Number of referrals
2014-15	90
2015-16	92
2016-17 to date	157

**2. Please provide details of the numbers of patients referred to your service who, after an initial assessment, were diagnosed with anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, OSFED, binge eating disorder and no eating disorder detected:**

We are unable to provide this breakdown as we do not split referrals by diagnosis<sup>1</sup>. Please see the answer to question 1 for overall referral numbers.

**3. How many patients, after initial assessment, were not provided with treatment from your service - please provide data via diagnosis and year, as stipulated:**

Please see the answer to question 2; we are unable to breakdown by diagnosis, but can provide you with an overall figure.

Financial Year	Number of service users not provided with treatment
2014-15	37
2015-16	14
2016-17 to date	15

**4. Please provide figures detailing the reasons why referrals to your service were not offered subsequent treatment during the years of 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 (to date). For each year, please include the reasons why treatment was not offered, and the number of cases these reasons applied to.**

The reason a service user would not be offered treatment is that they did not fit the treatment criteria.

<sup>1</sup> Section 1(1) 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 him.

For details of our treatment and exclusion criteria please follow this [link](#).

**5. Please provide the information in the form provided:**

Please see attached spreadsheet for response.

Should you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please find enclosed an information sheet regarding copyright protection and the Trust's complaints procedure in the event that you are not satisfied with the response.

Yours sincerely

*Sharon Farrell*

FOI/DPA Officer

Enc: Copyright Protection and Complaints Procedure Information Leaflet.

If you would like to complete a short survey in relation to your Freedom of Information request please scan the QR code below or click here.

