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Our Ref: FOI 2580

Thank you for your request concerning average waiting times for our Eating Disorder services.

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

- Please provide data on average waiting times for outpatient treatment for eating disorders from point referral to first appointment in the calendar years: 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 so far?**

We can only provide data from 2014. This is because we changed our Electronic Patient Recording system in 2013 and this resulted in a distortion of the data migrated across to the new system. We would not be able to show a true reflection of the wait time averages.

Adults	
Calendar Year	Average Days
2014	15 (Mean Average)
2015	16
2016	17
2017	18

- Please provide data on the number of referrals for outpatient treatment for eating disorders there have been in the calendar years: 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 so far? Please can you break this information down by gender, ethnicity and age if possible?**

As explained in the answer to question 1, we can only provide data from 2014 as information before this date was affected by the EPR migration.

Adults	
Calendar Year	Number of Outpatient Referrals
2014	525
2015	533
2016	545
2017	272

3. **If you offer inpatient services, please provide data on the number of patients you have had stay over the last six calendar years and which part of the UK they were sent to you from? (For example, how many came from Manchester, London etc.) Please can you also break this information down by gender and age?**

We do not have a specialist eating disorder inpatient unit within our services. However, some services users with an eating disorder may receive treatment within our mental health units.

4. **If you offer inpatient services, please provide data on the average length of stay for patients over the last six calendar years stated above? Can you also provide data on the longest and shortest lengths of stay, as well as any information about those specific cases? Please note that I do not require any identifying information of patients.**

Not applicable.

5. **What percentage / number of total patients discharged from your eating disorder services got a follow-up appointment of phone call within seven days of leaving? Please provide details for the years 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 so far.**

Not applicable.

6. **How many referrals for outpatient or inpatient treatment have been for children with eating disorders (under the age of 14)? Please break this down by year 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 so far.**

As previously explained we can only provide data from 2014 due to data migration.

Children (under the age of 14)	
Calendar Year	Number of Outpatient Referrals
2014	24
2015	25
2016	51
2017	37

Caveat: These figures are for referrals to the Specialist Eating Disorder Team in CAMHS but there were many more referrals to generic CAMHS which we cannot "count" as they are congregated with other generic referrals.

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

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Yours sincerely

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