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Our Ref: FOI 2777

Thank you for your request concerning out of area placements for mental health patients.

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

- 1. What is the furthest distance (in miles) your trust has sent a mental health patient out-of-area for inpatient treatment this year and the previous five years? Please provide specific locations and postcodes.**

We cannot provide you with mileage as we do not record distance¹.

The number of service users and locations for the past five years is already in the public domain². Please follow this [link](#) to our disclosure log and this [link](#) a previously published response.

- 2. What is the furthest distance (in miles) your trust has sent a mental health patient under the age of 18 to receive inpatient mental health treatment this year and over the previous five years? Please provide specific locations and postcodes.**

We do not hold this information¹. Since 2013/14 our Child and Adolescent Mental Health (CAMHS) has been commissioned by NHSE. I can confirm that in 2012/13 no children were sent out of area.

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

¹ 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.

² Section 21 – Information is available through other means has been applied.

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

Sue Smith

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Information Rights 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](#).

