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> > Our Ref: FOI 3158

Thank you for your request concerning the number of unexpected patient deaths.

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

1. Please could you provide me with the number of unexpected patient deaths (including but not limited to death by suicide, neglect or misadventure) in your mental health trust for 2017 and 2018 respectively. Please could you also indicate how many children/adults this includes per year?

	2017	2018	Total
Adult	68	100	168
Children	*	*	*

* Due to the small numbers of children involved we have applied Exemption Section 40(2). This is because entries of 5 or less are considered sufficiently small enough to be potentially identifiable data. On this basis, this information is exempt from the duty to publish.

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

Sue Smith

Sue Smith 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 <u>here</u>.



