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Thank you for your request concerning our Home Treatment Team (HTT).

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

1. How many young people can the HTT treat at any one time?

When we are fully staffed we can look after 15 young people receiving 3 daily visits. However we have vacancies so this number is dependent on how much contact this young person needs e.g. if they need less than 3 daily visits then our overall capacity is raised.

2. What are the criteria for being accepted to the HTT?

Young people need to be considered eligible for a Tier 4 service; the criteria is the same.

Young people accepted to our service will be in crisis with high risk behaviours deemed unmanageable by Tier 3 CAMHS services. Additional support will already have been tried by the Tier 3 high risk pathway nurses.

A face to face assessment is completed to determine if the young person is accepted. However on occasions a referral is accepted based on information obtained from the NHSe form 1.

3. Are families told why their treatment is not accepted by Home Treatment Team:

Yes; however if we are not accepting the referral it is likely due to capacity or the fact that a process needs to be followed first such as a Care Education and Treatment Review or some baseline work with the high risk pathway nurse. It would be the referring clinician's responsibility at this stage to communicate the message and alternative plan to the family.

4. How many children currently on the CAMHS high risk pathway currently receive one appointment per week or less from a Trust clinician?

Unfortunately we are unable to provide this information as it is not held in a reportable electronic format. To supply the information requested would involve manually reviewing every CAMHS service users record and to carry out this task would exceed the appropriate cost limit of £450¹.

Currently CAMHS has a case load of 3,866 across 4 different quadrant teams.

¹ Section 12 - Cost of compliance exceeds the appropriate limit has been applied

Under section 12 of the FOIA a public authority does not have to comply with a request for information if the cost of compliance exceeds the appropriate limit. It is estimated that it would take approximately 5 minutes to manually review each individual record to extract the information, i.e. 330.5 hours @ £25ph = £8,262.50.

However to be helpful we can confirm that each case will differ and frequency seen will be determined by the clinical risk and may change over time as well.

5. How many children in Tier 3 CAMHS have attempted suicide in the last 12 months?

As categorised on DATIX our patient safety reporting system between 1 June 2018 and 31 May 2019 there were 8 attempted suicides from our Tier 3 CAMHS services.

Should you require further clarification or like to discuss payment, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Yours sincerely

Sue Smith

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Information Rights Officer**

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