

2 October 2018

Our Ref: RFI 25027

Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000
Information in relation to Psychiatric facilities**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for information relating to the above which you requested on 4 September 2018.

A response to each of the questions raised has been provided by the Adult Services and Prison Healthcare Directorate and is attached in Appendix A.

If you are unhappy as to how this request has been handled, you have the right to seek a review within the Trust in the first instance. You should write to the Information Governance Department, Lough House, Ards Community Hospital (informationgovernance@setrust.hscni.net) within two months of the date of this response and your complaint will be considered and a response provided, within 20 working days of receipt.

If, after receiving a response, you remain unhappy, you can refer your complaint to the Information Commissioner at The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. It is important to note that if you refer any matter to the Information Commissioner, you will need to show evidence of having gone through the Trust's internal review procedure to try to resolve the matter with the Trust in the first instance.

If you have any queries about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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Information Governance Assistant**

I am undertaking research and I was hoping to get data for the year 2016/2017 on:

Q1. Number of admissions (formal and informal) to psychiatric facilities;

A1. Between 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017 there were 744 admissions to adult mental health services. Of the 744 admissions, 152 were detained/formal admissions with 592 voluntary/informal admissions.

Q2. Number of restraints;

A2. The number of incidents of physical interventions initiated was 214.

Q3. Number of restraints per 100 admissions per month;

A3. The number of incidents of physical interventions per month for 2016/2017 is outlined below.

April 2016: 13
 May 2016: 12
 June 2016: 42
 July 2016: 13
 August 2016: 31
 September 2016: 15
 October 2016: 10
 November 2016: 13
 December 2016: 13
 January 2017: 12
 February 2017: 16
 March 2017: 24

Q4. Patients affected by restraint per 100 admissions per month;

A4. The information requested is not held on a central information system. To obtain this information would require a manual review of incident forms.

This would exceed the 'Appropriate Limit' as defined by the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust therefore exempts the release of this information under Section 12(1).

12.-(1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 this letter acts as a Refusal Notice.

Q5. Events per 100 occupied bed days per month;

A5. There is no current system in place to provide this specific data.

Q6. Events per 100,000 population per year;

A6. The GP registered population for March 2018 for individuals within the Trust aged between 16-64, is 220,568. While the Trust does not admit aged 16-18, it does care for individuals aged 18-64 under adult services. There is no way to exclude aged 16-18 from the current figures.

The total number of events per 100,000 of the population is approximately 97.

Q7. Patients affected by restraint per 100 occupied bed days per month;

A7. There is no current system in place to provide this specific data.

Q8. Average number of restraints per affected patients

A8. There is no current system in place to provide this specific data.

Q9. Percentage of patients exposed if available?

A9. There is no current system in place to provide this specific data.