RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST - REF: D9452

Please find our Trust’s response in relation to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

In reference to tier four CAMHS service users for 2017-2018, 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 (to date) please provide the total number of:

- Out of area placements (OAPs) active at period end
- OAPs that ended during the period.
- OAP which started during the period.
- OAP bed days.
- Length of stay for OAPs during each period.
- Please provide the breakdown of inappropriate and appropriate placements for each period.
- Please provide the furthest and shortest distance that service users traveled for OAPs.
- Please provide the age of the youngest and oldest service users sent on OAPs.
- Please provide the length of stay for each OAP during each period.
- Please provide a list of services/trusts patients were sent to during each period.

CAMHS services are excluded from reporting on Out of Area Placements and therefore this information is not routinely collated. To manually collate the requested information regarding OAPs for CAMHS would exceed the current appropriate limit of 18 staffing hours and therefore this request is subject to an exemption in accordance with Section 12 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act – the cost of compliance exceeds the appropriate limit.

I hope the information provided above is to your satisfaction. If you are unhappy with the way, the Trust has handled your request you may request an internal review.

The Trust is committed to safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults and requires all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust, The Curve, Bury New Road, Prestwich, Manchester M25 3BL Tel: 0161 773 9121.
If you require an internal review please write to Sarah McDonald, Head of IM&T Service Delivery, at the address above, who will arrange a review of your case.

If you are not happy with the outcome of the internal review you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner: Information Commissioner’s Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

The FOI Team
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