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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/18/01/10.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

1. Within your Trust how many patients have you treated with Type 1 Diabetes in the year 2016/17?

We do not specifically treat diabetes, but the acute complications associated with this disease.

In 2016/17 we had 8302 responses where the problem/nature was 'Diabetic Probs' and/or the free text mentions 'Diabetes' or 'Diabetic'. This will include Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes. Please note that the problem nature is determined by the call taker, and not a diagnosis, what was found when a crew arrived on scene or what the patient was treated for if conveyed to hospital.

Please also be advised that Diabetes may not be the reason for the call in all these incidents. There may be incidents whereby a patient with diabetes has been treated for another condition.

2. In the year 2016/17 how many patients with Type 1 Diabetes have you treated that are also diagnosed with the following: (Please state whether patients were treated as an inpatient, outpatient or non-elective).

- a) Anorexia Nervosa?
- b) Bulimia Nervosa?
- c) Binge Eating Disorder?
- d) Eating Disorder Not Otherwise Specified (EDNOS)/Other Specified Feeding or Eating Disorder (OSFED)?

Unfortunately, we do not hold this information

3. What is the total number of patients treated within your Trust in the year 2016/17 with a dual diagnosis of Type 1 Diabetes and any variant of Eating Disorders?

Unfortunately, we do not hold this information

4. Are there any challenges you face in managing and treating patients with a dual diagnosis of Type 1 Diabetes and any variant of Eating Disorders? For example, service gaps or commissioning obstacles? If so, what are these? Reference to the year 2016/17 can be used at your convenience.

As an ambulance trust we don't treat diabetes in the context of eating disorders.

5. Can you share a copy of the pathway for these patients?

N/A

6. What protocols and treatment guidelines do you have in place for the treatment of patients with a dual diagnosis of Type 1 Diabetes and any variant of Eating Disorders? Reference to the year 2016/17 can be used at your convenience.

N/A

7. Have you an agreed tariff in the years 2016/17 and 2017/18 with commissioners for this care, if so what is it and what does this care include?

We are not commissioned to provide diabetes services in the context of eating disorder services and so do not attract any disease specific tariff.

8. What is the average cost of the treatment for an individual with a dual diagnosis of Type 1 Diabetes and any variant of Eating Disorders in the year 2016/17?

N/A as per above

9. Do you have the ability to fund prolonged stays in private hospitals for the patients that are most in-need of treatment?

We are an ambulance service and treat patients on scene and/or transport them to hospital. Therefore, we are unable to respond to this question.

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Information Governance Manager via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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